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San Francisco, California

SEPTEMBER 29 to OCTOBER 4th
1946

OFFICIAL PROGRAM 28th NATIONAL CONVENTION

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The American Legion

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Twenty-seventh
Annual Promenade
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La Boutique des Huit Chapeaux et Quarante Femmes

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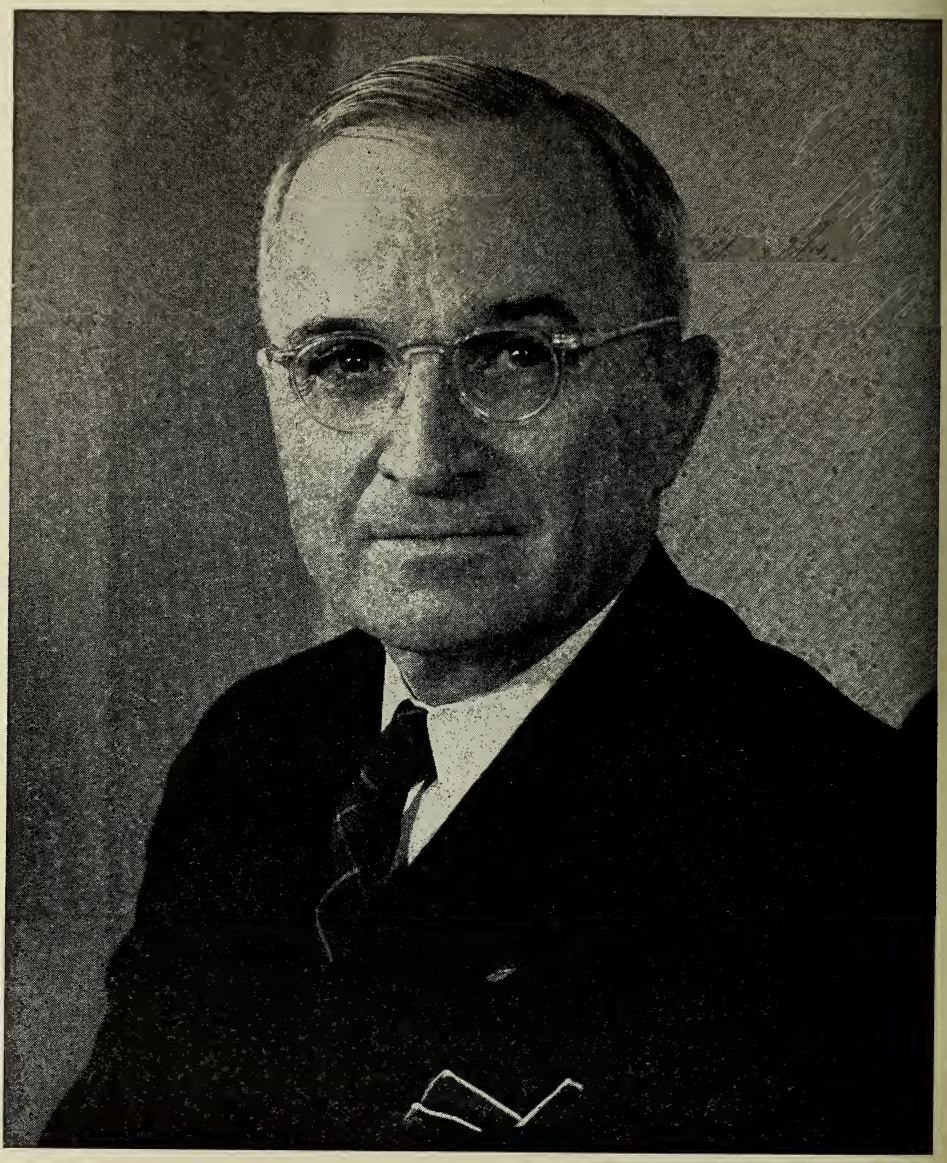
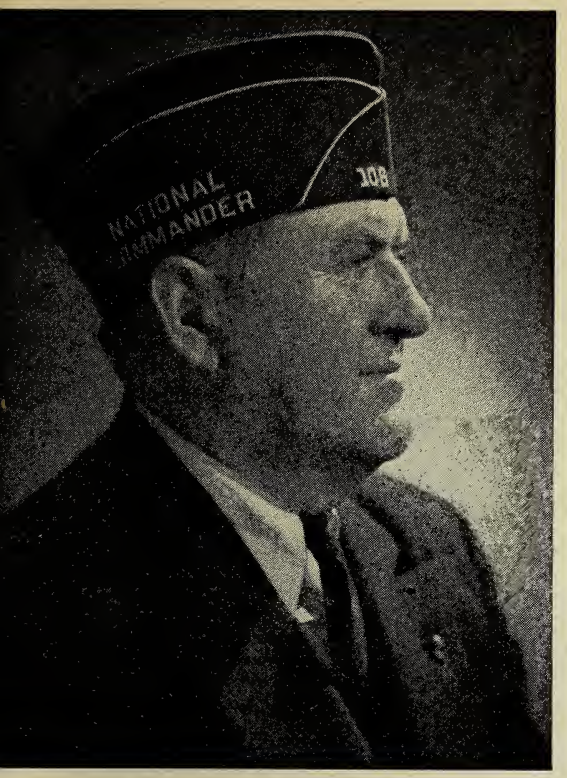


Legionnaire Harry S. Truman
President of The United States



John Stelle
National Commander
The American Legion

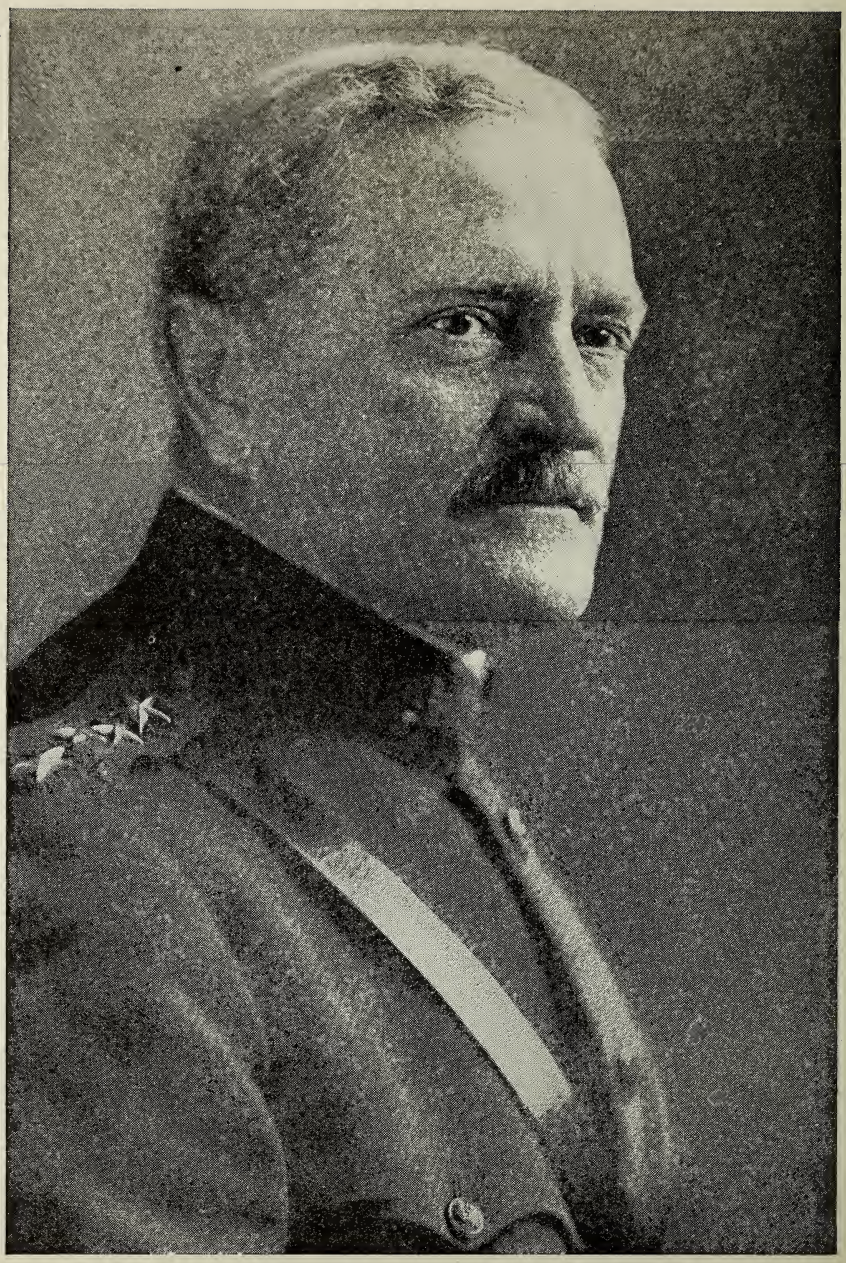
The American Legion, meeting in national convention in San Francisco, Cal., for the second time, is bringing a great year to a stirring climax.

The years have been good to The American Legion since it last met in the Golden Gate city in 1923. Today The American Legion has become the largest veterans' organization in the world. It has more than 3,300,000 members, 68 per cent of them World War II veterans. It has 15,122 posts. It has greater prestige, greater potency, and greater public goodwill than ever before.

The American Legion of today is the exemplification of the value of unity and singleness of purpose. During 1946 The American Legion, with its tremendous membership expansion, its countless battalions of tireless volunteer workers, has broken all records for accomplishments in legislation, Americanism, child welfare, community services and public relations.

Better yet, it has given the nation a demonstration of the greatest peacetime partnership in history, with millions of fighting men and women of 1917-18 and 1941-45 marching shoulder to shoulder, as one team, to serve God and Country.

The American Legion has become, and will remain, the great exponent of the principles cherished by Americans. To that objective all actions of the 28th National Convention must be directed.



General John J. Pershing

OFFICE OF THE
GENERAL OF THE ARMIES
WASHINGTON

13 August 1946

Mr. John Stelle, National Commander,
The American Legion,
Indianapolis 6, Indiana.

My dear Commander:

Because of General Pershing's illness, I am acknowledging your recent letter, relative to your desire to receive a message of greetings from him for presentation to this year's Convention of the American Legion.

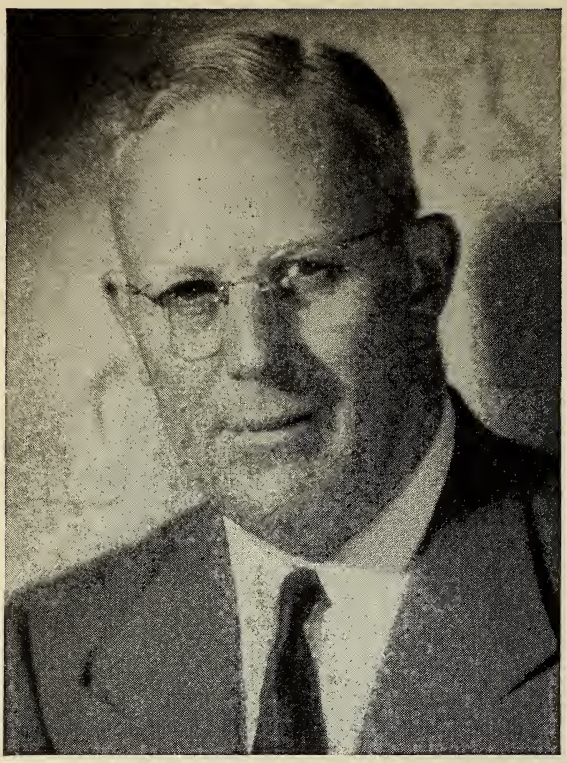
The General's condition, I regret to advise, makes it impracticable to bring your request to his attention. While he is doing as well as can be expected, his doctors feel that he should be relieved entirely of the burden of correspondence and his strength conserved in every way possible.

The General would, I know, appreciate deeply your cordial expressions on behalf of the millions of Legionnaires in America.

Yours very sincerely,

J. E. Williamson

Colonel, USA
Military Secretary



Legionnaire Earl Warren
Governor of the State of California

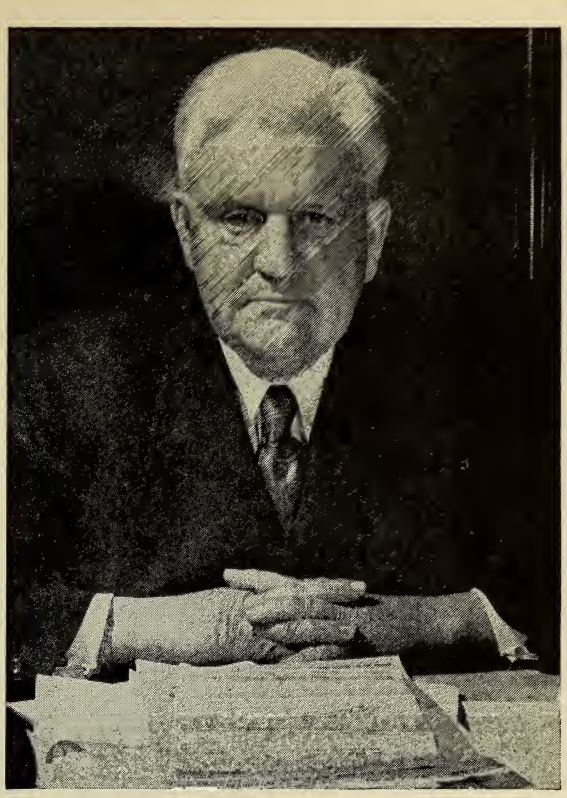
To All Delegates to the 28th Annual Convention of The American Legion:

On behalf of the people of the State of California, I extend a hearty welcome to the 28th Annual Convention of The American Legion at San Francisco September 30th to October 4th, 1946

This great servicemen's organization has always furnished, and is continuing to furnish, outstanding leadership in the field of veterans' welfare. Its devotion to our American principles of freedom and justice is universally recognized. And it is also rendering a vital service by perpetuating the comradeship that was born in time of war among millions of our men and women who formed the citizen armies that defended our country.

I wish the Convention every success as it gives its attention to each of the important purposes for which it has been called into session.

Sincerely,
EARL WARREN
Governor



Legionnaire Roger D. Lapham
Mayor of the City of San Francisco

To the Members of The American Legion, Forty and Eight
The American Legion Auxiliary, Eight and Forty:

Greetings!

The City and County of San Francisco welcomes you to your national convention assembling here September 29 to October 4, and hopes that you will find your stay both pleasurable and profitable.

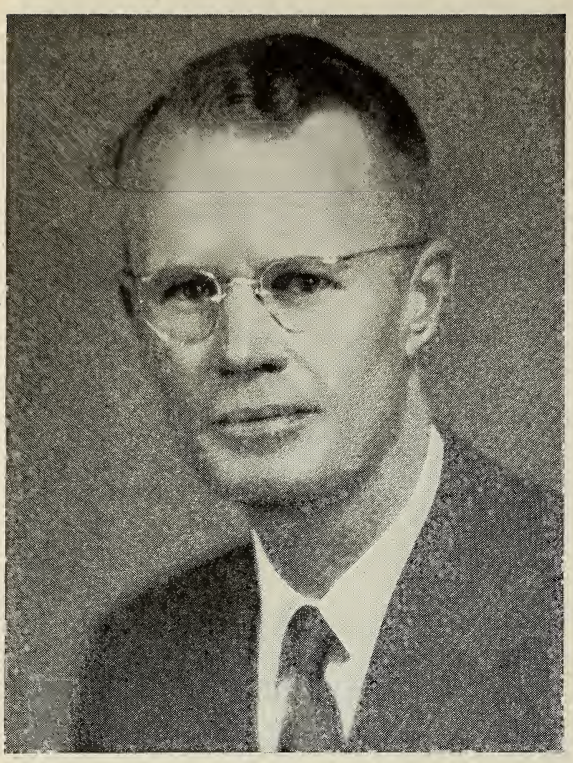
Here by the Golden Gate, San Francisco Bay Area residents have witnessed the vast preparations for war, and with the rest of the world felt the heartaches this conflict brought on. Now come the men and women of war to San Francisco again, but this time for peaceful purposes and with the same sincerity of twenty-three years ago when last you convened in San Francisco.

I extend on behalf of all the citizens of our City a warm welcome and express the hope that your visit here will be long remembered.

Sincerely,

R. D. Lapham

Mayor



Richard H. Chamberlai
Department Commander of California

It is a unique pleasure to offer a hearty welcome from the Department of California to our comrades of the American Legion on their visit to this National Convention. The State of California is now celebrating its one hundredth year under the flag of the United States.

For many of you it is your first visit to California and to the great city of San Francisco. For many others it is a delightful opportunity to revisit scenes of historic interest and to renew friendships with people who are known the world over for their informal and generous hospitality.

San Francisco is no stranger to tens of thousands of Legionnaires whose war service took them overseas through this great gateway to the Pacific.

During the last eighteen months this Department has more than doubled in size. This transfusion of new blood has naturally re-energized our activities. At our Department Convention six weeks ago we demonstrated a unity of purpose and a complete and harmonious agreement on the objectives of the Legion program. We of California are ready and anxious to go forward with you from the other forty-nine Departments to achieve those goals.

Welcome to California! During your stay with us we shall do our utmost to make you feel at home.

NATIONAL OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

SAM L. LATIMER, JR.
Vice-Commander

FRED P. LaBOON
Vice-Commander

H. DUDLEY SWIM
Vice-Commander

R. GRAHAM HUNTINGTON
Vice-Commander

JEREMIAH TWOMEY
Vice-Commander

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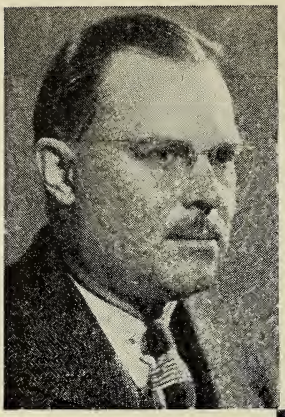
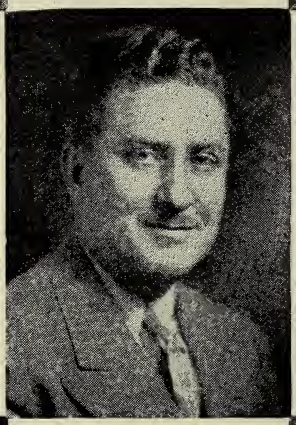
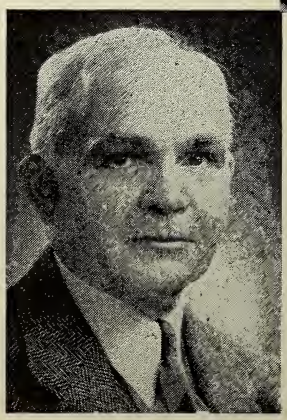


DONALD G. GLASCOFF
Adjutant

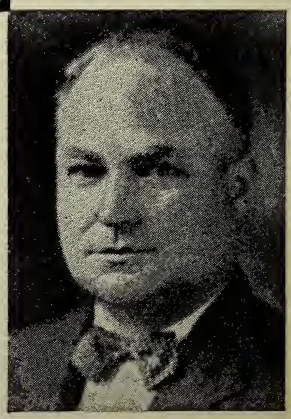
EDWARD J. SMITH
Chaplain



RALPH B. GREGG
Judge Advocate



NEAL GRIDER
Treasurer

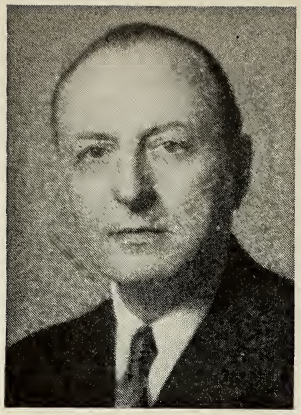


THOMAS M. OWEN, JR.
Historian

GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR

ADMIRAL CHESTER W. NIMITZ

GENERAL DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER



It is always a pleasant privilege, acting in any capacity in The American Legion, to have the opportunity of welcoming Legionnaires and their guests who have travelled from far distant points to attend the Annual Convention of our organization. It is much more pleasant, however, when as Honorary Chairman of The American Legion National Convention Bureau Committee of San Francisco 1946 I welcome you to San Francisco, my own home town.

It is my sincere hope that your deliberations will be fruitful, and that the inconveniences you will experience because of war conditions not yet alleviated in these postwar days will not detract from the enjoyable stay which I hope you will have.

A hearty welcome to each of you, and my enduring gratitude to you for the co-operation and courtesy you extended to me as your National Commander in 1934-35.

FRANK N. BELGRANO, JR.
Honorary General
Convention Chairman

As the General Convention Chairman of the Twenty-Eighth National Convention, it is my privilege to welcome you on behalf of the National Convention Committee. In attempting to make your stay here as enjoyable and comfortable as possible, your San Francisco National Convention Committee overcame many serious handicaps. However, with the co-operation of the Civic and Business Groups of San Francisco, the City of San Francisco will live up to its reputation as a City "THAT KNOWS HOW". Our hope is that you will have a thoroughly good time enjoying all of the many things that this City "BY THE GOLDEN GATE" has to offer.

EDWARD SHARKEY,
General Convention Chairman

Preamble
to the Constitution of
The American Legion

For God and Country, we associate ourselves together for the following purposes: To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America; to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a one hundred per cent Americanism; to preserve the memories and incidents of our association in the great wars; to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation; to combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses; to make right the master of might; to promote peace and good will on earth; to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy; to consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.

OFFICIAL PROGRAM

TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION THE AMERICAN LEGION

SEPTEMBER 29-30, OCTOBER 1, 2, 3 AND 4, 1946 SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1946

Opening of National Headquarters in Larkin Hall, Exposition Auditorium

ADVANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1946

9:00 a.m. Resolutions Assignment Committee—Auditorium, Room 105
9:00 a.m. Contests Supervisory Committee—Auditorium, Room 108

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1946

9:00 a.m. Resolutions Assignment Committee—Auditorium, Room 105
9:00 a.m. Contests Supervisory Committee—Auditorium, Room 108
9:00 a.m. National Employment Committee (Special G. I. Bill of Rights Committee on Employment, jointly)
Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 322
9:00 a.m. National Veterans Preference Committee (Executive Section)
Auditorium, Room 202
9:00 a.m. Rehabilitation Resolutions Subcommittee of Department Service Officers—Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 202
9:00 a.m. National Aeronautics Commission
Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 212

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1946

9:00 a.m. National Executive Committee Subcommittee on Resolutions
9:00 a.m. National Executive Committee Subcommittee on Enlargement of National Headquarters—Auditorium, Room 111
9:00 a.m. National Executive Committee Subcommittee on Unauthorized Groups—Nat'l Judge Advocate's Office, Auditorium
9:00 a.m. National Americanism Commission
Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 308
9:00 a.m. Americanism Endowment Fund Trustees
Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 313
9:00 a.m. Child Welfare Committee (Executive Section)
Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 319
9:00 a.m. Constitution and By-Laws Committee
Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 219
9:00 a.m. Contests Supervisory Committee—Auditorium, Room 108
9:00 a.m. National Convention Bureau
Veterans Memorial Bldg., Mr Lumpkin's Office
9:00 a.m. Coordinating Committee—Auditorium, Room 201
9:00 a.m. National Defense Committees:
Military Affairs—Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 314
Naval Affairs—Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 316
Civilian Defense—Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 303
Merchant Marine—Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 311

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1946—Continued Exposition Auditorium

ADVANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS—Continued

9:00 a.m. Education of Orphans of Veterans Committee (Executive Section) Auditorium, Room 400-A
9:00 a.m. National Emblem Committee Auditorium, Mr. Morris' Office
9:00 a.m. National Employment Committee Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 322
9:00 a.m. National Aeronautics Commission Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 212
9:00 a.m. Expansion and Stabilization Committee (Executive Committee) Auditorium, Room 200
9:00 a.m. National Finance Committee Auditorium, Room 104
9:00 a.m. Foreign Relations Committee Auditorium, Room 205
9:00 a.m. Inter-American Good Will Promotion Committee Auditorium, Room 204
9:00 a.m. National Labor Relations Committee Auditorium, Room 306
9:00 a.m. National Law and Order Committee (Executive Section) Auditorium, Room 203
9:00 a.m. Legion Publications Commission Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 324
9:00 a.m. National Legislative Committee Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 215
9:00 a.m. Public Relations Commission Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 213
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9:00 a.m. Resolutions Assignment Committee Auditorium, Room 105
9:00 a.m. National Retirement Committee Nat'l Adjutant's Office, Auditorium
9:00 a.m. Sons of The American Legion Committee Auditorium, Room 110
9:00 a.m. Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee Auditorium, Room 315
9:00 a.m. Veterans Preference Committee (Executive Section) Auditorium, Room 202
9:00 a.m. National Security Committee Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 305

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1946

STANDING NATIONAL COMMITTEES

12:00 Noon Meeting of Convention Committee on Credentials Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 223
12:15 p.m. Meeting of Convention Committee on Permanent Organization Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 223
12:15 p.m. Meeting of Convention Committee on Rules Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 223
12:30 p.m. Meeting of Convention Committee on Rules Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 223
2.00 p.m. Meeting of National Executive Committee Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 223
9:00 a.m. Resolutions Assignment Committee Auditorium, Room 105
9:00 a.m. National Aeronautics Commission Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 212
9:00 a.m. National Americanism Commission Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 308
9:00 a.m. Child Welfare Committee (Executive Section) Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 319

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1946—Continued **Exposition Auditorium**

Standing National Committees

9:00 a.m. Americanism Endowment Fund Trustees
Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 313

9:00 a.m. Constitution and By-Laws Committee
Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 219

9:00 a.m. Contests Supervisory Committee—Auditorium, Room 108

9:00 a.m. National Convention Bureau
Veterans Memorial Bldg., Mr. Lumpkin's Office

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9:00 a.m. National Defense Committees:
Military Affairs—Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 314
Naval Affairs—Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 316
Civil Defense—Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 303
Merchant Marine—Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 311

9:00 a.m. Education of Orphans of Veterans Committee (Executive Section)
Auditorium, Room 400-A

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Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 12

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Auditorium, Room 315

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Auditorium, Room 202

9:00 a.m. National Security Committee
Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 305

10:00 a.m. Meeting of National and Assistant National Sergeants-at-Arms
Platform of Auditorium

1:00 p.m. Convention Memorial Services (See separate page 22 in this program book for details)—Golden Gate Park Shell

2:15 p.m. National Band Contest—Golden Gate Park Shell

2:30 p.m. Child Welfare Conference (Watson B. Miller, Administrator of Social Security, speaker).

CONVENTION SESSIONS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1946 **Exposition Auditorium**

Joint Session, The American Legion and The American Legion Auxiliary

11:30 a.m. Music

12:00 Noon Call to Order.....John Stelle (Illinois) National Commander
Advancement of Colors.....United States Army
Invocation
Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward J. Smith (Iowa), National Chaplain
Solo: "Star Spangled Banner" Official Convention Soloist
Call for Convention
Donald G. Glascoff (Michigan), National Adjutant

12:15 p.m. Addresses of Welcome:
Honorable Earl Warren, Governor of California
Honorable Roger D. Lapham, Mayor of San Francisco
Irvin R. Snyder, Department Commander of California (1945-46)
Edward J. Sharkey, Chairman, National Convention Bureau Committee

12:35 p.m. Response to Addresses of Welcome
Edward N. Scheiberling (New York), Past National Commander

12:40 p.m. Greetings:
Mrs. Walter G. Craven, National President, The American Legion Auxiliary
Ottis E. Mercer, Chef de Chemin de Fer, Forty and Eight

12:50 p.m. Presentation of Convention Medallion to City of Chicago, Illinois
Louis Johnson (West Virginia), Past National Commander
Acceptance of Medallion in behalf of City of Chicago
James P. Ringley, National Executive Committee of Illinois

1:00 p.m. Address
Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Chief of Naval Operations

1:20 p.m. Memorial Services
Solo: "There Is No Death" (O'Hara) Official Convention Soloist
Memorial Address
Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward J. Smith, National Chaplain
Silent Prayer
Taps

1:50 p.m. Report of the National Commander
John Stelle, National Commander

2:10 p.m. Address Honorable Dean Acheson, Acting Secretary of State

2:30 p.m. Reports of National Convention Committees:
Credentials
Permanent Organization
Rules

2:50 p.m. Address
General Carl A. Spaatz, Commanding General, U. S. Army Air Force

3:10 p.m. Address Personal Representative of General Douglas MacArthur

3:25 p.m. Address
Field Marshal Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, Senior British Representative on Combined Chiefs of Staff

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1946—Continued — Exposition Auditorium

3:45 p.m. Remarks in Behalf of Legionnaire State Governors in Attendance at the Convention
Honorable Edward Martin, Governor of Pennsylvania

3:55 p.m. Presentation of Distinguished Service Medal of the American Legion to J. Edgar Hoover, Director of Federal Bureau of Investigation
Frank N. Belgrano, Jr. (California), Past National Commander
Acceptance of Distinguished Service Medal.....J. Edgar Hoover

4:05 p.m. Presentation of Distinguished Guests
John Stelle, National Commander

4:10 p.m. Presentation of American Legion's Distinguished Service Medal to Bob Hope
John R. Quinn (California), Past National Commander
Acceptance of Distinguished Service Medal.....Bob Hope

4:20 p.m. Adjournment
Retirement of Colors

5:00 p.m. Meetings of National Convention Committees:
Americanism.....Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 308
Child Welfare.....Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 319
Constitutional Amendments....Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 219
Education of Orphans of Veterans
Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 305
Finance.....Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 212
Foreign Relations.....Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 313
Internal Organization.....Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 223
Legislation.....Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 215
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Rehabilitation.....Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 12
Employment.....Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 322
Resolutions.....Veterans Memorial Bldg., Room 213

7:30 p.m. Annual States Dinner, American Legion Auxiliary....Palace Hotel
a.m. & p.m. Drum and Bugle Corps Preliminaries and Finals....Seals Stadium

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1946

Annual National Convention Parade.
(See detailed Parade Instructions, page 26, this program book)

7:30 p.m. American Legion Fun Conclave and Circus.....Seals Stadium
(See page 22 this program book for details)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1946 — Exposition Auditorium

10:00 a.m. Music

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1946—Continued Exposition Auditorium

10:30 a.m. **Call to Order**.....John Stelle, National Commander
Advancement of Colors.....United States Navy
Invocation ..... Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward J. Smith, National Chaplain
Solo: "Star Spangled Banner"

10:40 a.m. **Introduction of Distinguished Guests**
John Stelle, National Commander

10:50 a.m. **Report of Convention Committees:**
Publications
Finance

11:05 a.m. **Address**....Honorable John L. Sullivan, Undersecretary of the Navy

11:25 a.m. **Presentation of Battle Colors of USS American Legion**
Honorable John L. Sullivan, Under Secretary of the Navy
Acceptance of Battle Colors in Behalf of the American Legion

11:35 a.m. **Report of Convention Committee on Americanism**

12:00 p.m. **Address** Honorable Robert P. Patterson, Secretary of War

12:20 p.m. **Report of Convention Committee on Child Welfare**

12:40 p.m. **Presentation of Recipients of Congressional Medals of Honor**
John Stelle, National Commander
Response by designated holder of Congressional Medal of Honor

12:55 p.m. **Report of Convention Committee on Education of Orphans of Veterans**

1:05 p.m. **Presentation of Recipient of National Commander's Scholarship**
Major General P. C. Harris, Retired, Chairman,
National Committee on Education of Orphans of Veterans

1:10 p.m. **Presentation of Distinguished Service Medal of The American Legion to General Lewis B. Hershey, Director of Selective Service.**
Paul H. Griffith (Pennsylvania)
Acceptance Response General Hershey

1:25 p.m. **Address**
General Omar N. Bradley, Director of the Veterans Administration

1:45 p.m. **Report of Convention Committee on Foreign Relations**

2:00 p.m. **Address** Fleet Admiral William F. Halsey

2:15 p.m. **Report of Convention Committee on Internal Organization**

2:35 p.m. **Presentation of Distinguished Service Medal of The American Legion to Honorable Cordell Hull, former Secretary of State**
Roane Waring (Tennessee), Past National Commander

3:00 p.m. **Address**
Major General T. B. Larkin, The Quartermaster General

3:15 p.m. **Address**
Judge Justin Miller, President National Association of Broadcasters

3:30 p.m. **Address**
Dr. Harrison H. Shoulders, President,
American Medical Association

3:45 p.m. **Veterans Amputee Demonstration, Auditorium Stage, arranged by National Medical Advisory Council of The American Legion**

4:35 p.m. **Adjournment**
Retirement of Colors

8:30 p.m. **National Commander's Victory Jubilee**.....Exposition Auditorium

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1946 — Exposition Auditorium

10:00 a.m. Music

10:30 a.m. Call to Order — John Stelle, National Commander
Advancement of Colors — United States Marines
Invocation — Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward J. Smith, National Chaplain
Solo: "Star Spangled Banner".

10:45 a.m. Presentation of Distinguished Guests
John Stelle, National Commander

10:50 a.m. Report of Convention Employment Committee

11:10 a.m. Address — Mrs. Pearl A. Wanamaker
President of National Education Association

11:25 a.m. Report of Convention Committee on Rehabilitation

12:00 p.m. Address
Lieutenant General Matthew B. Ridgeway, Representative of the U. S. Chief of Staff to the United Nations

12:20 p.m. Report of National Convention Bureau

12:30 p.m. Address — Robert R. Wason, President
National Association of Manufacturers

12:45 p.m. Report of Convention Committee on Legislation

1:00 p.m. Address — William Green, President
of the American Federation of Labor

1:20 p.m. Presentation of Distinguished Guests
John Stelle, National Commander

1:25 p.m. Address — William K. Jackson, President,
U. S. Chamber of Commerce

1:40 p.m. Address — Honorable Tom C. Clark,
U. S. Attorney General

2:00 p.m. Report of Convention Committee on National Defense

2:20 p.m. Address — Wilson W. Wyatt, Administrator,
National Housing Agency

2:35 p.m. Introduction of Distinguished Guests
John Stelle, National Commander

2:40 p.m. Address — Franklin D'Olier, Past National Commander
and Chairman of U. S. Strategic Bombing Survey

2:55 p.m. Address — Basil O'Connor, Chairman National American Red Cross

3:10 p.m. Introduction of Distinguished Guests
John Stelle, National Commander

3:15 p.m. Adjournment
Retirement of Colors

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1946 — Exposition Auditorium

8:30 a.m. Music

9:00 a.m. Call to Order — John Stelle, National Commander
Advancement of Colors — United States Coast Guard
Invocation — Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward J. Smith, National Chaplain
Solo: "Star Spangled Banner"

9:15 a.m. Presentation of Distinguished Guests
John Stelle, National Commander

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1946—Continued **Exposition Auditorium**

9.20 a.m. Report of Convention Committee on Constitutional Amendments

9:45 a.m. Address
William O. Wollin, National Oratorical Contest Champion of the American Legion

10:00 a.m. Report of Convention Committee on Resolutions

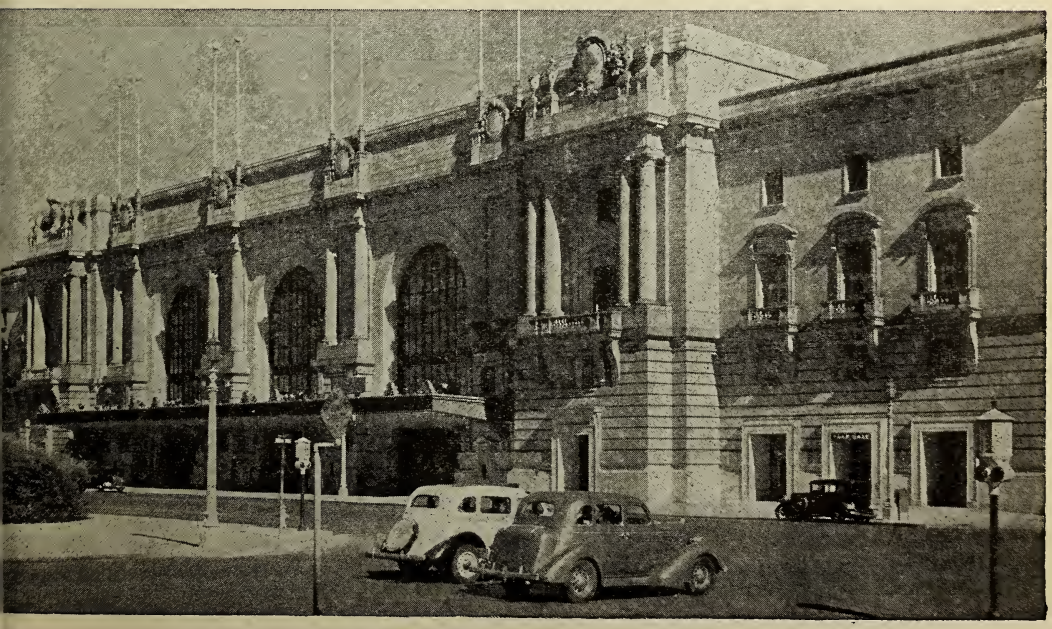
10:25 a.m. Announcement of Awards.....Henry H. Dudley, Assistant National Adjutant

10:40 a.m. New Business:

Election of National Officers

11:40 a.m. Presentation of Colors to Outgoing National Commander
Edward A. Hayes (Illinois), Past National Commander
Presentation of Colors to Incoming National Commander

12:00 p.m. Final Adjournment
Retirement of Colors
The National Executive Committee will meet within twenty-four hours after the final adjournment of the National Convention, upon call of the National Commander.



SAN FRANCISCO EXPOSITION AUDITORIUM

SPECIAL EVENTS

12:00 NOON—SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1946

RELIGIOUS AND MEMORIAL SERVICE
BAND CONCOURSE GOLDEN GATE PARK

Program of Patriotic Music through co-operation of San Francisco Park Commission, Mr. Lloyd E. Wilson, President
SAN FRANCISCO PARK BAND, Ralph Murray, Conducting

Memorial Services at 1 P.M......Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward J. Smith, National American Legion Chaplain
Rev. Ben Parish, Department of Californa Chaplain

SEPTEMBER 29, 30, OCTOBER 1, 2, 3 AND 4, 1946

Coffee and Doughnuts, Civic Center
Courtesy
Salvation Army

United States Army, Military Display
Civic Center

United States Navy, Military Display
Civic Center

Attention Amputees and Paraplegics: Demonstrations of 1946 Ford cars equipped with special driving aids will be held every day during the Convention in the Memorial Court of the Veterans Building—10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

SEPTEMBER 30, 1946

8:00 A.M. Golf Tournament .....Harding Municipal Golf Course Skyline and Sloat Boulevard

4:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. National Commanders Cocktail Party.....Ball Room Palace Hotel (Invitations)

8:00 P.M. Finals Drum & Bugle Corps Contest.....Seals Stadium

OCTOBER 1, 1946

9:00 A.M. Parade Starts.....Embarcadero and Market Streets to Seals Stadium
George A. Hormel & Company, Chicago will serve sandwiches and refreshments to participants in Parade at formation areas

Blatz Party all day to Parade participants at end of Parade route

7:30 P.M. 28th National Convention Fun Conclave and Extravaganza—produced with the assistance of Schenley Post 641, San Francisco.....Seals Stadium

OCTOBER 2, 1946

8:30 P.M. National Commander Stelle's Jubilee Party.....Civic Auditorium
By Invitation

Refreshments at conclusion of Party thru co-operation of PABST SALES COMPANY

SPECIAL EVENTS—Continued

OCTOBER 2, 1946

WATCH BULLETIN BOARD

FOR

BOWLING TOURNAMENT

SINGLES AND DOUBLES EVENT
at
Broadway-Van Ness Bowl
1483 Broadway at Polk St.

TEAM EVENTS
at
Mission Bowl
3140 Mission St.

Entry fee—$4.00 per man per event. One prize for every 8th entry. Report to Special Events Headquarters—Convention Hall—Civic Auditorium—for information regarding this event.

Bowling to continue through October 3rd. Bowl at your convenience. Prizes will be awarded last day of Convention.

Only Legionnaires eligible
Bowling—$1.00
Prize Money $3.00
Entry Fee—$4.00

REUNIONS

The sixteenth annual reunion of the Northern Californa Balloon Corps Veterans of World War I at the American Legion National Convention in San Francisco Sept. 28-30, with headquarters at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel. For further information write L. E. Stoddard, Walnut Creek, Calif.

The 316th Supply Train, 91st Div., will hold a reunion dinner on Sept. 27 at Maison-Paul Grill 1214 Market St., San Francisco. For reservations and other information write Otto G. Hintermann, 2847 Golden Gate Ave., San Francisco.

SEPTEMBER 30, 6 P.M., NATIONAL YEOMAN (F) RE-UNION BANQUET Open to Legionnaires and all Women who served in the Armed Forces of the United States in World War II and their escorts
MARK HOPKINS HOTEL Room of Dons

Veterans of A.E.F. Siberia, Inc., "Wolfhounds"
Dinner—6:30 P.M.
Joe Di Maggio's
Yacht Club
Fishermen's Wharf
Contact Wm. Sedgman, Adjutant, HEmlock 9907—MArket 6434

NATIONAL CONTESTS

LEGION DRUM CORPS

Preliminary—Seals Stadium—7 A.M., Monday, September 30, 1946
Finals—Seals Stadium—7 P.M., Monday, September 30, 1946

S.A.L. DRUM CORPS AND JUNIOR SPONSORED DRUM CORPS
Commerce High School Auditorium—2 P.M., Sunday, September 29, 1946

LEGION BANDS
Golden Gate Park Band Shell—2:15 P.M., Sunday, September 29, 1946

S.A.L. BANDS
Golden Gate Park Band Shell—9 A.M., Monday, September 30, 1946

LEGION CHORUS
Commerce High School Auditorium—2 P.M., Sunday, September 29, 1946

LEGION COLOR GUARD & FIRING SQUAD
Contact National Adjutant—10 A.M., Monday, September 30, 1946

S.A.L. COLOR GUARDS
Contact National Adjutant—3 P.M., Monday, September 30, 1946

NO DRILL TEAM CONTEST

AMERICAN LEGION BAND CONTEST
Representatives meeting 10:00 a.m., Sunday, September 29, 1946, City Hall, San Francisco

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION BAND CONTEST
Representatives meeting 10:00 a.m., Sunday, September 29, 1946, City Hall, San Francisco

AMERICAN LEGION DRUM, FIFE AND BUGLE CORPS CONTEST
Representatives meeting 3:00 p.m., Sunday, September 29, 1946, City Hall, San Francisco

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION DRUM, FIFE AND BUGLE CORPS CONTEST
Representatives meeting 2:00 p.m., Sunday September 29, 1946, City Hall, San Francisco

AMERICAN LEGION COLOR GUARD AND FIRING SQUAD CONTEST
Representatives meeting 1:00 p.m., Sunday, September 29, 1946, City Hall, San Francisco

CHORAL CONTEST
Representatives meeting 11:00 a.m., Sunday, September 29, 1946, City Hall, San Francisco

WOMEN LEGIONNAIRES PROGRAM

MARIE M. HAYES, Chairman

COMMITTEE

Virginia Rogers, *Vice Chairman*
Helen M. Smith, *Vice Chairman*

Monica Gianelli
Marie Gore
Ruth Hopkins
Gertrude Hutchins
Frieda Mooney Koerner
Peggy Lovelace
Frances Marron
Harriett Abbott
Lillian Andrus
Molly Dolan
Mary Doyle
Alma Dreyer
Katherine Druhan
Carmen Durrance
Edith Geiger
Sophie Howard
Minnie Huber
Elizabeth Jacobsen
Ruth Kline
Marion (Pat) Koenig
Gertrude Lasalle
Josephine Leishman
Mary Lynch
Beth MacBride
Sadie Mills
Isabel Murray
Minnie Powell
Hazel Roper
Myrtle Saylor
Katherine Schreiner
Kay O'Malley
Jean Ferguson
Jean Knapp
Joyce Clifford
Mavis Eberly
Eleanor Bernardini
Virginia Ryan
Esther Rose
Dorothy Conyers
Angela Engelbrecht
Marion Brown
Betty Witcher
Jane Wolfe
Gunny Wichstrom
Angelina De Leo
Alyce Tucker
Ann Rind
Hortense Rutledge
Lorna Jarzyna
Mabel Schwartz
Gemma Purcell
Chesna Dunnan
Gloria Cohn
Doris Suchomel
Madonna Gathier
Rosalie Golstein
Virginia Johnson
Laura Huth
Edwardina Mahoney
Rosalind Sherman
Margaret Cline
Mary Zagorka

SEPTEMBER 30, 1946

4:00 P.M. Womens Program Tea Party——Veterans Building

OCTOBER 2, 1946

4:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. Women Legionnaires Program Party—Cocktail Hour
Veterans Building

Open to Women Legionnaires ONLY
Refreshments by Seagram's and George A. Hormel & Company

11:30 P.M. to 2.30 A.M. Grand Midnight Show & Musical Revue
Warfield Theatre 6th & Market Street

Sponsored by Charles Skouras & Fox West Coast Theatres

Open to WOMEN LEGIONNAIRES ONLY

For WOMEN LEGIONNAIRES PROGRAM contact Marie Hayes, 106 Veterans Building

PARADE ORDER

1. The instructions contained herein will govern the Official Parade of the Twenty-Eighth National Convention of the American Legion.

2. TIME: (a) The leading element of the Parade will move promptly from the initial point at 9 A.M. Tuesday, October 1, 1946 regardless of weather conditions.

(b) The time and place of assembly of each Department or element of the Parade are shown in Program.

(c) Close coordination in following the time schedules by all Unit Commanders will be essential in order to maintain a smooth, steady march of all elements of the Parade.

3. ROUTE: The Parade will start at the inter-section of Embarcadero Street and Market Street (initial point) and proceed West on Market Street to Tenth Street. Down TENTH STREET to POTRERO AVENUE. On POTRERO AVENUE to FIFTEENTH STREET. Right on FIFTEENTH STREET thru entrance to SEALS STADIUM. Right in Stadium pass reviewing stand to Exit Gate on North Side of Stadium.

4. ASSEMBLY AREA: Assembly areas for all Departments are as indicated in this Program.

5. ORGANIZATION: In order to regulate and facilitate the march of the Parade the various elements have been grouped into Nine Divisions, each under a Division Marshal. The composition of these Divisions, showing the order of march, time, and place of assembly for the various elements, as shown in Program.

6. FORMATION: The marching formation for all elements of the Parade will be as follows:

(a) Police Escort: As directed by the Commander thereof.
(b) Grand Marshal Brigadier General Frank D. Merrill, Chief of Staff, United States 6th Army, and Staff: As directed by the Grand Marshal.
(c) Honorary Grand Marshal, Edward Scheiberling, Junior Past National Commander.
(d) Governor State of California: Earl Warren.
(e) Mayor Roger D. Lapham.
(f) United States Army Escort.
(g) United States Navy Escort.
(h) United States Marine Corps Escort.
(j) United States Coast Guard.
(k) California State Guard
(l) Champion American Legion Drum & Bugle Corps.
(m) Champion American Legion Band.
(n) National Colors.
(o) National Commander.
(p) Mass Colors: Eight (8) abreast. The Department and Post Colors of each Department of the American Legion, the Department and Unit Colors of each Department of The American Legion Auxiliary and the Sons of The American Legion will be massed at the head of each Department Delegation.
(q) Band & Drum Corps: As directed by Drum Majors not exceeding eight (8) men abreast. Positions to be coordinated with a view to proper use of music in the Parade.
(r) Authorized Floats and Automobiles in single column.
(s) 1. Marching distance between ranks: Three (3) paces.
2. Distances between elements of the honorary escort will be as prescribed in the applicable military or naval regulations.
3. Distances between platoons of The American Legion: Six (6) paces.
4. Distance between Departments: Eighteen (18) paces.
5. Distance between floats or automobiles: Five (5) yards.
6. Fifteen (15) paces distance in front and rear of Bands and Drum Corps will be maintained during the march.
7. If necessary in Assembly Area, distances may be lessened to utilize space, provided for formation purposes.
8. Musical Units will play at a cadence of 120 steps per minute throughout the march. No maneuvers or special formations permitted.
9. Reviewing Stands: The official Reviewing Stand for the National Commander and his party will be on the West Side of Seals Stadium on the Right of the marching column.
10. Salutes: Elements of the Parade will render but one salute throughout the line of march. This will occur when passing the reviewing stand of the National Commander. No stops will be permitted.
11. Floats: No floats or automobiles will be permitted to enter Seals Stadium.
12. Eligibility to participate in the Parade: With the exception of the Police, Military and Naval Escorts and Distinguished Guests, eligibility to participate in the Parade is limited to the Members of The American Legion, Uniformed Bodies of The American Legion Auxiliary and Sons of The American Legion.
13. Disbandment: Disbandment of the Parade will take place on BRYANT STREET, South of SIXTEENTH STREET as directed by the Disbanding Officer.
14. First-Aid and Convenience Stations: (a) First-Aid Stations will be located in the Assembly Area, along the Route of March and in the Disbanding Area. Parade Officials in these Areas will familiarize themselves with these locations.
(b) Convenience Stations; located at frequent intervals along the line of march and in the Assembly Areas.

7. PARADE OFFICIALS: In addition to his general and personal staff, the Grand Marshal will be assisted in the conduct of the Parade by other officials designated as regulating officers, division marshals, liaison officers and guides.

8. Parade Officials, liaison officers and guides will be identified by appropriate brassards.

9. The co-operation of all Departments is earnestly solicited, particularly as to prompt assembly in designated areas. Prompt clearing of Streets at the disbandment areas is enjoined on all. Departments not on time in column at the time of moving out will be assigned by regulating officer, assembly area to rear of column.

10. Headquarters of the Parade Committee are located in Room 106 Veterans Building.

ORGANIZATION AND MARCH TABLE
AMERICAN LEGION PARADE
TUESDAY OCTOBER 1, 1946

STARTING TIME 9:00 A.M.

DIVISION #1—Formation Area - Embarcadero & Market - North Side Market
ASSEMBLY TIME 8:00 A.M.

1—Police Escort ..... North side of Market Street
2—Grand Marshal Brigadier Frank D. Merrill, Chief of Staff, United States 6th Army, and Staff ..... North side of Market Street
3—Honorary Grand Marshal Edward Scheiberling, Junior Past National Commander ..... North side of Market Street
4—Governor Earl Warren ..... North side of Market Street
4A—Mayor Roger D. Lapham ..... North side of Market Street
5—Honorary Convention Chairman ..... North side of Market Street
6—General Convention Chairman ..... North side of Market Street
7—Escort U. S. ARMY ..... North side of Market Street
8—Escort U. S. Navy ..... Embarcadero south of Market, with head of column resting at Market Street
9—Escort U. S. Marine Corps
10—Escort U. S. Coast Guard
11—California State Guard ..... Embarcadero & Mission Street

DIVISION #2—Formation Area - Steuart Street - South of Market
ASSEMBLY TIME 8:15 A.M.

12—Champion Drum and Bugle Corps.. Commonwealth Edison Post 118, Chicago
13—National Commander
14—National Colors
15—Champion American Legion Band
16—Departments of

France	Panama
Canada	Mexico
Puerto Rico	Philippine Islands
Hawaii	Italy

DIVISION #3—Formation Area - Spear Street - South of Market
ASSEMBLY TIME 8:30 A.M.

17—Alabama
18—Virginia
19—North Carolina
20—Texas

DIVISION #4—Formation Area - Spear Street - South Side of Mission Street
ASSEMBLY TIME 9:00 A.M.

21—Nebraska
22—Kentucky
23—Tennessee
24—Florida
25—Arkansas
26—Georgia

DIVISION #5—Formation Area - Main Street - South of Market
ASSEMBLY TIME 9:15 A.M.

27—West Virginia
28—Maryland
29—South Carolina
30—Delaware
31—Louisiana
32—Kansas

DIVISION #6—Formation Area - Davis Street - North of Market
ASSEMBLY TIME 9:30 A.M.

33—Indiana
34—Iowa
35—Pennsylvania
36—Mississippi

DIVISION #7—Formation Area - Beale Street - South of Market
ASSEMBLY TIME 9:45 A.M.

37—New Hampshire
38—New Mexico
39—North Dakota
40—Idaho
41—Oklahoma
42—Minnesota

DIVISION #8—Formation Area - Front Street - North of Market
ASSEMBLY TIME 10:00 A.M.

43—Vermont
44—Ohio
45—New Jersey
46—Missouri
47—Arizona
48—Montana

DIVISION #9—Formation Area - Battery Street - North of Market
ASSEMBLY TIME 10:15 A.M.

49—South Dakota
50—Maine
51—Colorado
52—Rhode Island

DIVISION #10—Formation Area - Battery Street - North of Pine Street
ASSEMBLY TIME 10:30 A.M.

53—Washington
54—District of Columbia
55—Michigan

DIVISION #11—Formation Area - Battery Street - North of California Street
ASSEMBLY TIME 10:45 A.M.

56—Connecticut
57—Oregon
58—Wisconsin
59—Nevada

DIVISION #12—Formation Area - Sansome Street - North of Sacramento
Head of column resting at Market Street
ASSEMBLY TIME 11:00 A.M.

60—Illinois
61—Wyoming
62—Utah

DIVISION #13—Formation Area - Sansome Street - North of Bush Street
ASSEMBLY TIME 11:15 A.M.

63—New York
64—Alaska
65—Massachusetts

DIVISION #14—Formation Area - Montgomery Street - North of Market
Head of column resting at Market Street
ASSEMBLY TIME 11:30 A.M.

CALIFORNIA
66—District 15
67—District 12
68—District 14
69—District 13
70—District 3

DIVISION #15—Formation Area - Montgomery Street - North Side of Sutter
ASSEMBLY TIME 11:30 A.M.

71—District 6
72—District 22
73—District 16
74—District 25
75—District 4

DIVISION #16—Formation Area - Montgomery Street - North Side of Bush
ASSEMBLY TIME 11:30 A.M.

76—District 2
77—District 11
78—District 26
79—District 18

DIVISION #17—Formation Area - Montgomery Street - North Side of Pine
ASSEMBLY TIME 11:30 A.M.

80—District 22
81—District 19
82—District 5
83—District 9
84—District 1

DIVISION #18—Formation Area - Pine Street - West of Montgomery
Head of column resting at Montgomery

85—District 20
86—District 10
87—District 23
88—District 24
89—District 17

DIVISION #19—Formation Area - Bush Street - West of Montgomery
Head of column resting on Montgomery
ASSEMBLY TIME 11:30 A.M.

90—District 7
91—District 8
92—REAR POLICE GUARD

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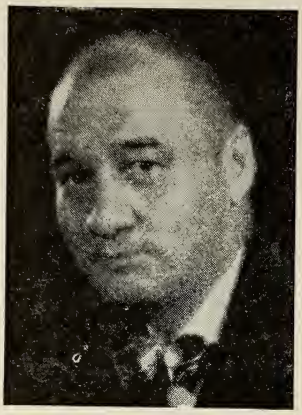

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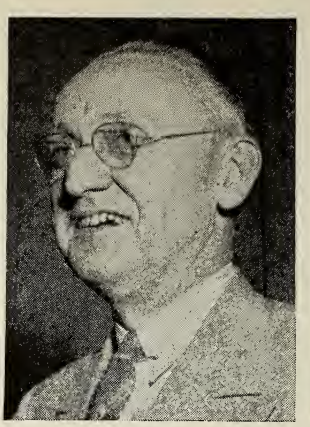

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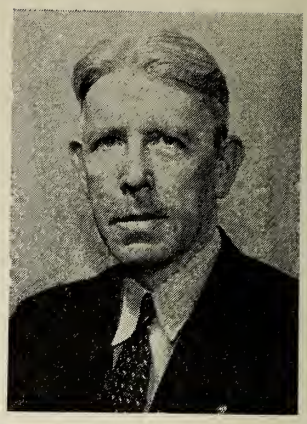

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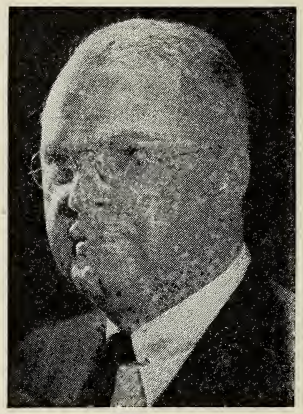

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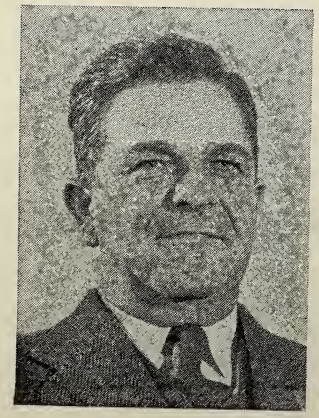

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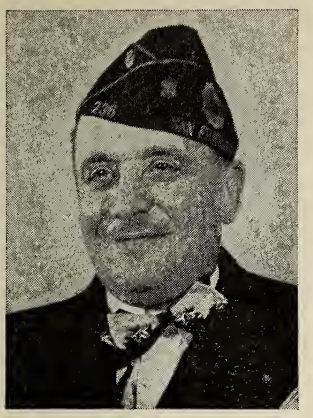

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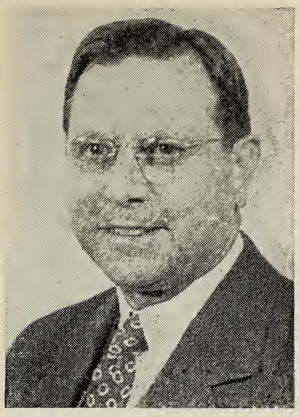

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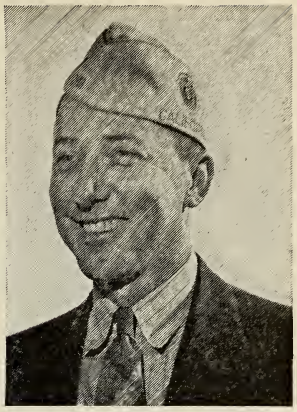

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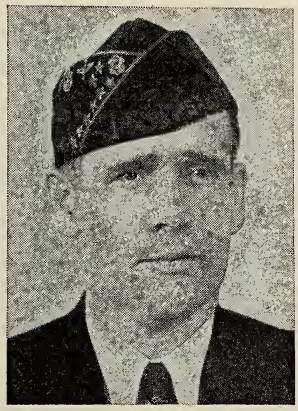

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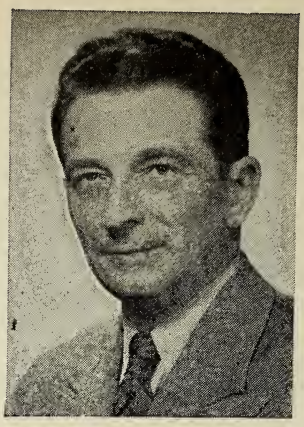

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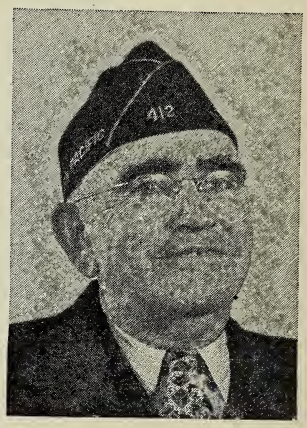

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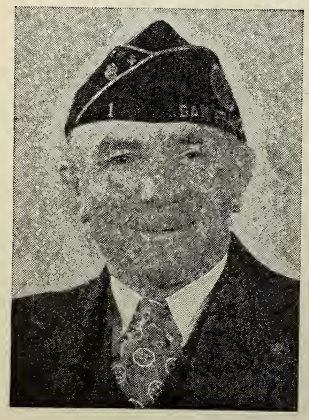

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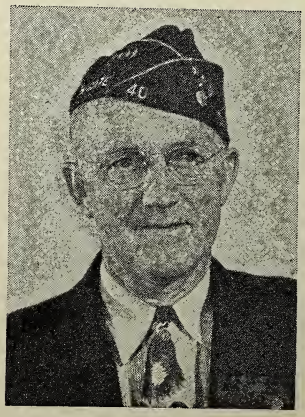

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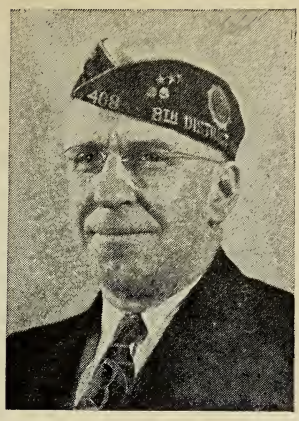

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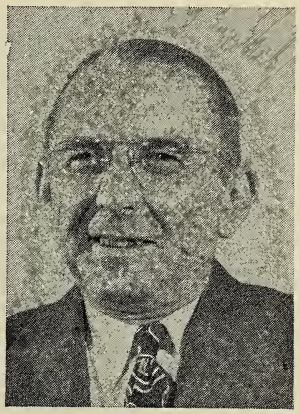

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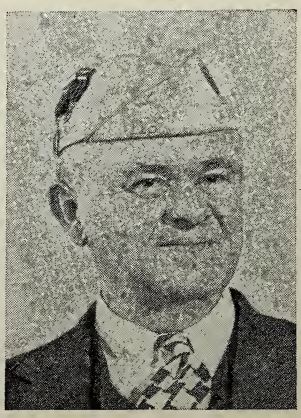

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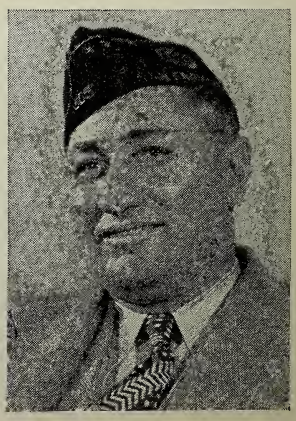

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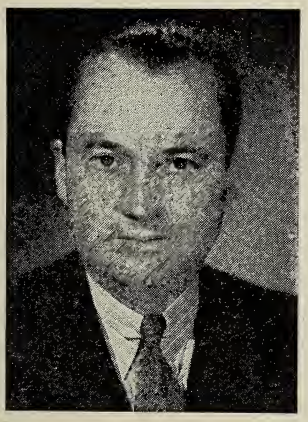

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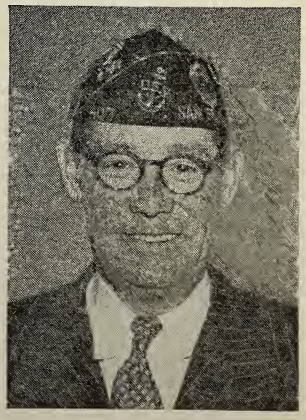

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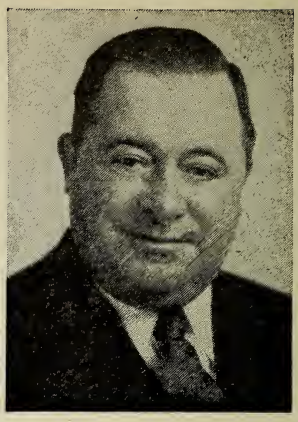

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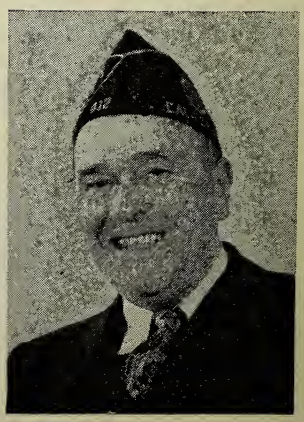

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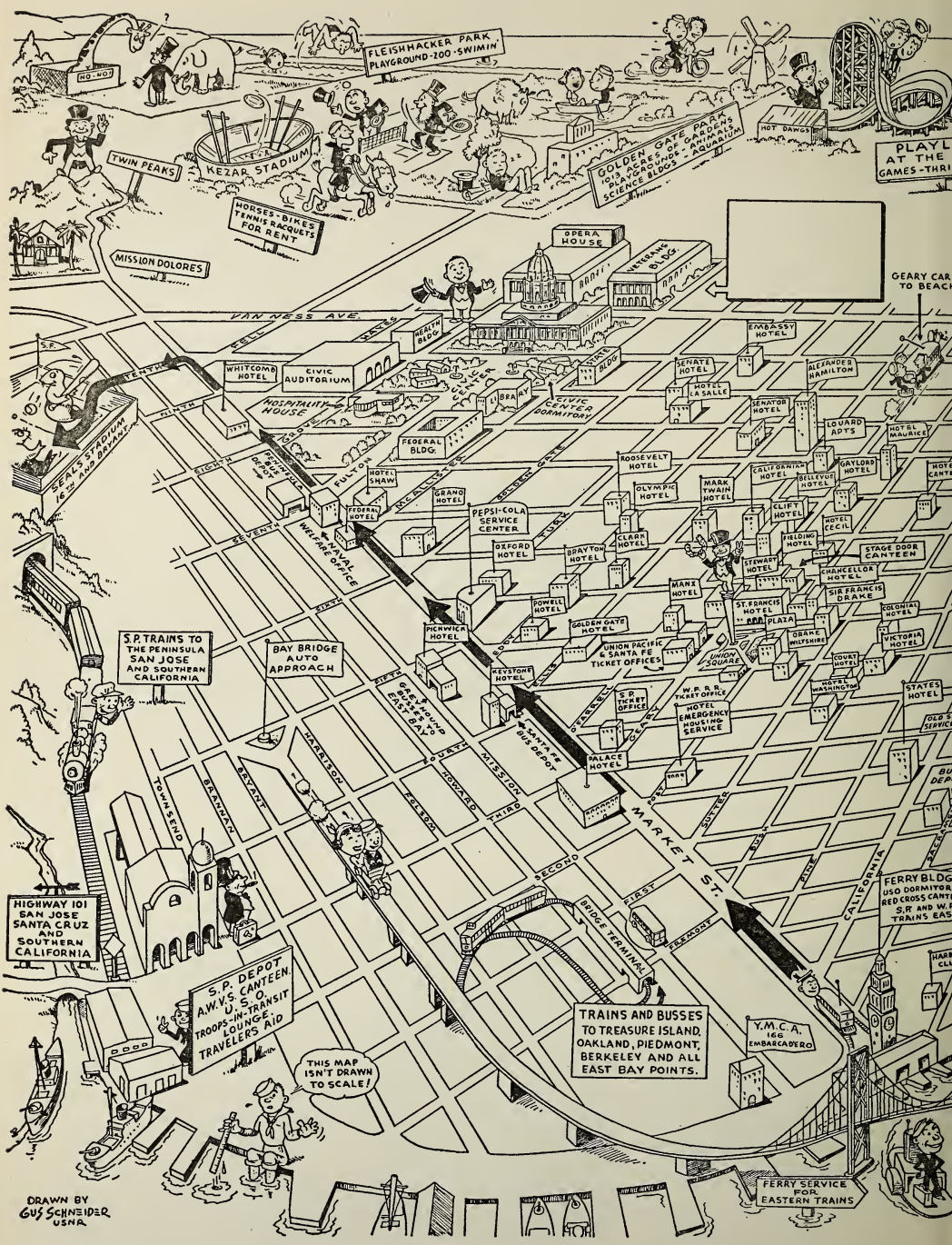

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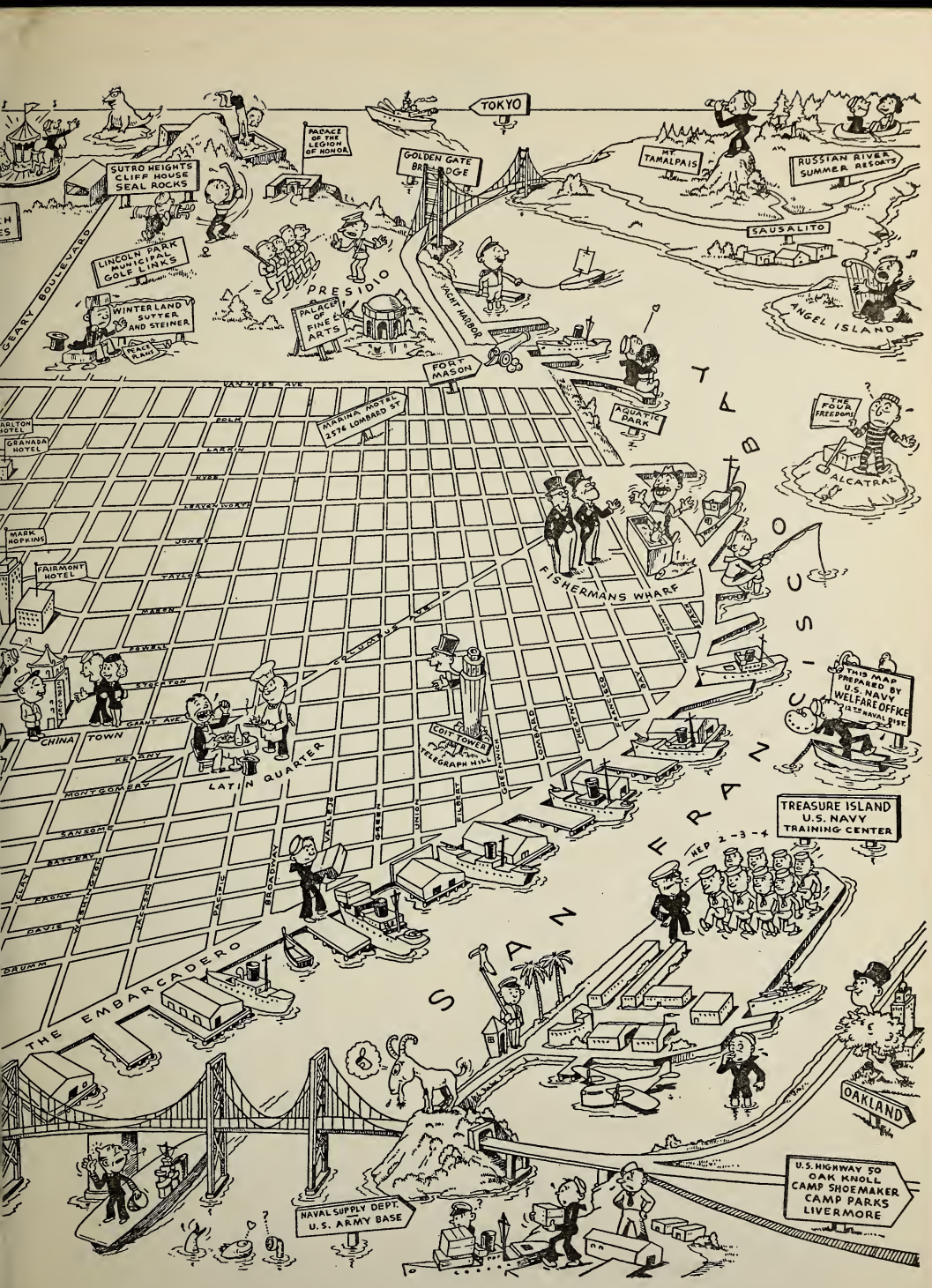

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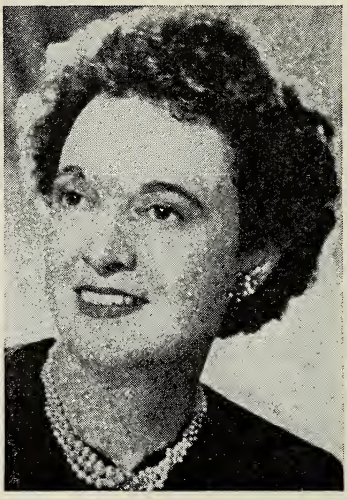

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TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1946

9:00 AM OPENING SESSION— National Convention, American Legion Auxiliary Civic Opera House, San Francisco, California
Processional of National Officers and Distinguished Guests

9:15 AM **Call to Order by the National President,** Mrs. Walter Craven
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by Mrs. Norman L. Sheehe, National Americanism Chairman
Invocation: Mrs Warren W. Boulden, National Chaplain
THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER

9:30 AM **Reading of the Call to the Convention**—Mrs. Gwendolyn Wiggin MacDowell, National Secretary
Greetings from the Department of California—Mrs. Fred Heartt, Junior Past President

9:40 AM **Greetings by the National Vice-Presidents**

Mrs. Willis C. Reed	Southern Division
Mrs. Archie W. Miller	Eastern Division
Mrs. Willard L. Morss	Central Division
Mrs. Worth Montgomery	Western Division
Mrs. A. W. Plachte	Northwestern Division

10:00 AM **Annual Report of the National President,** Mrs. Walter G. Craven

10:30 AM **Reports of the National Officers**
National Secretary, Mrs. Gwendolyn Wiggin MacDowell
National Treasurer, Mrs. Cecilia Wenz
National Historian, Mrs. Butler Ward
Greetings by the National Chaplain, Mrs. Warren W. Boulden

10:45 AM **Greetings by the Honorable Roger D. Lapham,** Mayor of San Francisco

11:00 AM **Greetings by the Past National Presidents**

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11:45 AM **Presentation of Convention Chairmen by the National Chairman of the Convention Committee,** Mrs. Alfred J. Mathebat

11:55 AM **Presentation of National President's Pages**

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1946—Continued

12:00 PM Reports of Convention Committees:
Permanent Organization:
Credentials:
Rules:
Retirement of Colors
ADJOURNMENT

MONDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 30, 1946

ATTENDANCE AT OPENING OF NATIONAL CONVENTION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AND AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY, Joint Session, Civic Auditorium, San Francisco, California

DIVISIONAL CAUCUSES
4:30 to 6:00 PM

Southern Division
Eastern Division
Central Division
Western Division
Northwestern Division

7:30 PM STATES DINNER, Palace Hotel, San Francisco, California

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1946

PARADE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1946

9:15 AM CONVENTION CONVENES, Civic Opera House, San Francisco, California
Advance of Colors
Processional of 1945-1946 Department Presidents

9:30 AM Call to Order by the National President, Mrs. Walter G. Craven
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by Mrs. Norman L. Sheehe, National Americanism Chairman
Invocation: Mrs. Warren W. Boulden, National Chaplain

9:40 AM Presentation of 1945-1946 Department Presidents
Nomination of National Officers

10:00 AM ADDRESS—Mr. John Stelle, National Commander, The American Legion

10:30 AM Reports of Convention Committees:
Americanism: Mrs. Norman L. Sheehe, Chairman
Community Service: Mrs. H. C. McShane, Chairman
Junior Activities: Mrs. Leo W. Laird, Chairman

11:00 AM Presentation of Distinguished Guests

11:15 AM Reports of Convention Committees:
Rehabilitation: Mrs. Norton H. Pearl, Chairman
Talk on Rehabilitation: Mr. T. O. Kraabel, Director, National Rehabilitation Division The American Legion
Selection: Southern California Quartette.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1946—Continued

11:45 AM ADDRESS—Hedda Hopper

12:00 PM **Reports of Convention Committees:**
Child Welfare: Mrs. Euga A. Campbell, Chairman
Talk on Child Welfare: Miss Emma C. Puschner, Director National Child Welfare Division The American Legion
Talk on Rheumatic Fever:
National Defense: Mrs. Hubert A. Goode, Chairman
Report of Public Relations Service Liaison Director, Mrs. Charles B. Gilbert
Presentation of Miss Pauline Mandigo, Press and Public Relations
Report of Convention Committee:
Constitution & By-Laws: Mrs. H. R. Anthony, Chairman
Retirement of Colors
ADJOURNMENT

4:00 PM DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS' TEA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1946

9:15 AM CONVENTION CONVENES, Civic Opera House, San Francisco, California
Advance of Colors
Call to Order by the National President, Mrs. Walter G. Craven
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by Mrs. Norman L. Sheehe, National Americanism Chairman
Invocation: Mrs. Warren W. Boulden, National Chaplain

9:30 AM **Reports of Convention Committees:**
Postwar: Mrs. Lorena Hahn, Chairman
Finance: Mrs. Lee W. Hutton, Chairman
Poppy: Mrs. James E. Mecum, Chairman
Legislative. Mrs. Hurlburt Anderson, Chairman

10:00 AM **Presentation of Commander Eleanor Grant Rigby, USNR (W)**

10:15 AM ADDRESS: Captain Lyle O. Armel, USNR

10:30 AM **Reports of Convention Committees:**
Publication: Mrs. W. C. Alexander, Chairman
Past Presidents' Parley: Mrs. William Corwith
Pan American Study: Mrs. Leo W. Laird, Chairman

11:00 AM ADDRESS: Mr. Eric Johnston,
Report of Convention Committee:
Radio: Mrs. John A. Lakeman, Jr., Chairman

11:30 AM ADDRESS: Mr. Harry Colmery, Past National Commander, The American Legion
Report of Convention Committee:
Membership: Mrs. Samuel E. Vance, Jr., Chairman
Talk on Membership: Dr. Ruth Miller Steese, Jr., Past President, Department of Pennsylvania

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1946—Continued

12:00 PM ADDRESS:
Report of the Eight and Forty: Mr. C. J. Mortensen, Le Chapeau National
Presentation of Distinguished Guests
Retirement of Colors
ADJOURNMENT

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1946

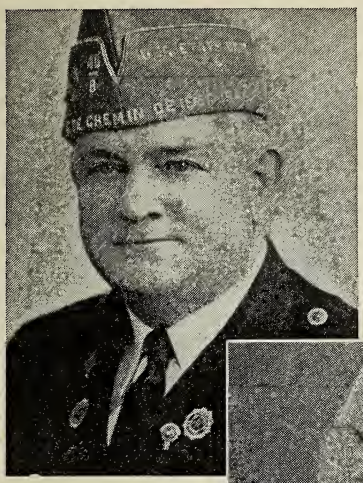
9:00 AM CONVENTION CONVENES, Civic Opera House, San Francisco, California
Advance of Colors
Call to Order by the National President, Mrs. Walter G. Craven
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by Mrs. Norman L. Sheehe, National Americanism Chairman
Invocation: Mrs. Warren W. Boulden, National Chaplain
Selection: Mrs. Thomas Bird
Election of National Officers
Reports of Convention Committees:
Constitution & By-Laws: Mrs. H. R. Anthony, Chairman
Resolutions:
Unfinished Business
New Business
Installation of Officers
Presentation of Colors to the Retiring National President
RETIREMENT OF COLORS
ADJOURNMENT
POST CONVENTION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING,
Mrs. Evertt E. Daniels will serve as Convention Pianist.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NATIONAL CONVENTION COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

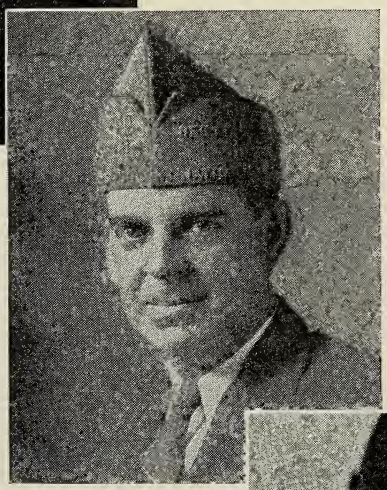
CHAIRMAN: MRS. ALFRED J. MATHEBAT
VICE CHAIRMAN: MRS. HARRY OWEN HOLT

Convention Halls and Seating	Mrs. Helen Sharkey
Distinguished Guests	Mrs. D. Rogers
Hospitality	Mrs. J. Thaddeus Cline
Information	Rose Haughey
Pages	Mrs. Philip Merrit
Poppy Poster Display	Mrs. W. Snelson
Trophies	Mrs. Willetta Phipps
Stated Dinner	Mrs. T. Louis Chess
Flag Registration	Mrs. Douglas Cormack

National Officers La Societe des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux



OTTIS E. MERCER
Chef de Chemin de Fer, 1946
40 et 8



CHARLES W. ARDERY
Correspondant National
40 et 8

N. CARL NIELSEN
Commissaire Intendant National
40 et 8

OFFICIAL PROGRAM

TWENTY-SEVENTH PROMENADE NATIONALE
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
LA SOCIETE DES 40 HOMMES ET 8 CHEVAUX

SEPTEMBER 29 AND 30—OCTOBER 1 AND 2, 1946

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1946

8:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. Registration—Lobby, Veterans' War Memorial Building, Van Ness and McAllister Streets

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1946

8:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. Registration at Booths—Civic Auditorium

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1946
SUPERVISORS CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

2:00 P.M. Meeting, Cheminots Nationaux, Supervisors Chambers, City Hall, San Francisco

3:00 P.M. Meeting of Committee on Credentials, Supervisors Chambers, Harry W. Berdie, Mexico, Chairman

3:00 P.M. Meeting of Committee on Permanent Organization, Supervisors Chambers, Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer, William H. Walker, Chairman

3:00 P.M. Meeting of Committee on Rules and Order, Supervisors Chambers, Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer, Sid M. Ferree, Chairman

4:00 P.M. Promenade Nationale called to order by Chef de Chemin de Fer, Ottis E. Mercer

Advancement of Colors

Invocation by Aumonier National Rev. H. H. Black. Reading of Promenade Nationale call by Correspondant National

Greetings by W. A. Henderson, Chairman, Promenade Nationale Committee

Address of Welcome by Robert H. Cooke, Grand Chef de Gare, Grande Voiture of California

Address of Welcome by Bertram A. Mibach, Chef de Gare, Voiture 27, San Francisco

Address of Welcome by the Honorable Roger D. Lapham, Mayor of San Francisco

Address of Welcome by the Honorable Earl Warren, Governor of California

Greetings from The American Legion by National Commander John Stelle

Response by Chef de Chemin de Fer Mercer

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1946—Continued

5:00 P.M. **Memorial Services** conducted by Aumonier National, Rev. H. H. Black

5:30 P.M. **Report of Committees on**

1. Credentials
2. Rules and Order
3. Permanent Organization
4. Report of Conducteur National Henry A. Perry (Parade, etc.)

5:45 P.M. **Announcements, Committee appointments, etc.**

6:00 P.M. **Retirement of Colors**
Recess

8:00 P.M. **Forty and Eight Parade** (See Parade orders) Market to Grove to Larkin, McAllister to Polk to Grove, Disband at Grove and Van Ness Ave.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1946

CIO HALL, 150 GOLDEN GATE AVE.

9:00 A.M. **Meeting** of all Committees, other than Credentials, Permanent Organization and Rules and Order. CIO Hall, 150 Golden Gate Ave.

4:00 P.M. **Call to order** by Chef de Chemin de Fer Mercer
Advancement of Colors
Invocation by Aumonier National Black

4:10 P.M. **Reports of National Officers:**

1. Chef de Chemin de Fer
2. Commissaire Intendant National
3. Correspondant National
4. Historian National
5. Avocat National

Reports of Committees on:

1. Paraphernalia
2. Voiture Activities
3. Ritual
4. Finance
5. Resolutions
6. Child Welfare

6:00 P.M. **Retirement of Colors**
Recess

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1946

8:30 A.M. Form with own Department for Legion Parade

9:00 A.M. **Legion Parade**—Participate with your Legion Department

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1946

SUPERVISORS CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

10:00 A.M. Meeting of Committees, WITH UNFINISHED BUSINESS ONLY, especially Resolutions and Constitution only

2:00 P.M. Call to order by Chef de Chemin de Fer Mercer

Advancement of Colors

Invocation by Aumonier National Black

2:10 P.M. Reports of Committees on:

1. Trophies and Awards (Permanent Committee)
2. Resolutions (Supplementary, if any)
3. Constitution

3:00 P.M. New Business

3:15 P.M. Election of officers:

1. Chef de Chemin de Fer
2. Sous Chefs de Chemin de Fer (Six)
3. Commissaire Intendant National
4. Aumonier National
5. Historien National
6. Gardes de la Porte National (Two)
7. Drapeau National

Retirement of Colors

Benediction by Aumonier National-elect

Adjournment

Meeting of Cheminots Nationaux 1947 immediately following adjournment of Promenade Nationale

7:00 P.M. Promenade National Banquet, Sally Rand Theatre Restaurant, 168 O'Farrell St. Tickets for sale at Registration Booth

TWENTY-SEVENTH PROMENADE NATIONALE
LA SOCIETE DES 40 HOMMES ET 8 CHEVAUX

CONVENTION COMMITTEE

W. A. HENDERSON, *Promenade Chairman*
J. RUFUS KLAWANS, *Vice Chairman*
JAMES K. TAYLOR, *Vice Chairman*
HENRY E. PERRY, *Secretary*

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

James K. Taylor
J. Rufus Klawans
Henry A. Perry
Royal E. Handlas
Walter A. Leonetti
Comdr. Ralph Prentice, U.S.N.R.
Hon. Thomas M. Foley
Hon Edw. Molkenbuhr

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

Ralph Lingle, *Chairman* - Cliff Feathers, *Vice Chairman*

James K. Fisk
J. McCauley
Walter Padelford, Jr.
L. J. "Hap" Harrigan
Harry Porter
Lloyd B. Kenyon
Henry Wright
Chas. Marshall

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Geo. J. LeBlanc, *Chairman*
C. M. Steinmetz

BANQUET & ENTERTAINMENT

Reed Robinson, *Chairman*
Jean Bercut, *Vice Chairman*

Paul O'Dowd	Bernard Drury	Leo Helfond
Gene Nouax	Art Daniels	Henry Krog

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

E. Snapper Ingram, *Chairman*

Spike Shannon	John Rennington	Jack Danner
Bob Cook	O. O. Boyd	Jess Epstein
Richard Chamberlain	Earl Marsh	John Inman

HOUSING

Frank Hibbard, *Chairman*

Art Ormond	Henry Wright	Roy Rodman

HALLS & SEATING

Paul Coniff, *Chairman*

Al Baptiste	Wm. Sorenson	Rodney Surryhne
Fred Musante	Roy A. Wells	Dr. Chas. E. Bates

DECORATIONS

Al McBride, *Chairman*

Gustave A. Nelson	John Newton	Ben F. Caro

NATIONAL PROMENADE PICTURES COMMITTEE

Francis Hayes, *Chairman*

Joe Flores	Roy Gard

BOX CAR COMMITTEE

Pat Mahoney, *Chairman*

Cecil McDowell	Eustace Cleary	Louis F. Metzner
Shorty Stewart	Bob Morris	John Mackin

BADGES & PRINTING

Joseph Seeley, *Chairman*

Harry Holt	Orval Cornell	Ray Greenberg

TRANSPORTATION

O. M. DeToy, *Chairman*

T. Louis Chess	Mel Gaston

PARADE

Ray Lasater, *Chairman* - Walter Lee, *Vice Chairman*

Dan James	Norman Duyore	J. J. Madden
Jack Zurick	Harry Burgund	Lawrence Suprenant
Chas. Whitney	Henry A. Perry	Lou Witte
John Dubinske	Tom Richel	Snooks Stafford
	Ernest Nixon	

LA SOCIETE DES 40 HOMMES ET 8 CHEVAUX

GENERAL PARADE ORDERS

1. Parade will be held Sunday evening, September 29, 1946. Parade will be formed in seven divisions, each division to be at its designated station ready to move out at 8:00 P.M.

2. Assembly of the parade will be lower Market Street, as designated by divisions. Parade will move up Market Street to Grove Street west to Larkin Street. Larkin Street north to McAllister Street. McAllister Street west to Polk Street; south on Polk Street past reviewing stand in front of City Hall to Grove. West on Grove St. Disband at Van Ness Ave.

3. Uniform for parade will be smocks and chapeaux, insofar as possible.

4. Colors will be unfurled. Massed colors and Standards shall be at the head of respective Departments, except where they are included as part of musical organization.

5. Regulations for the formation of the parade are as follows:

   (a) All Department delegations will be headed by their Grande Officers and will march eight abreast with sixty inches between ranks.

   (b) The following distances will be maintained:
      (1) Twenty paces between divisions.
      (2) Ten paces between Staff officers.
      (3) Ten paces between Grande Voitures.
      (4) Six paces between Grande Voiture Officers, and front rank of their Grande Voitures.
      (5) Six paces in front and rear of each feature.
      (6) Guidon bearers will march three paces to the rear and one pace to the right of their leaders.

   (c) There will be one stop at Fourth and Market Streets.

   (d) All box cars, trains, musical units and features for all Divisions will form with their respective States, in the division to which assigned.

   (e) The Division Marshal for each Division will report to the Parade Chairman, the strength of the Grande Voiture and number of musical units, respectively, as soon as the formation of the division is completed, but in any event, not later than 7:30 P.M.

   (f) No motor vehicles will be permitted in the parade without official authorization from the Parade Chairman.

RAYMOND C. LASATER,
Parade Chairman

FORTY AND EIGHT PARADE

Assemble at 7:30 P.M., Sunday evening, September 29, 1946
Embarcadero, north of Market Street

Escort of Police, Chef de Chemin de Fer, Ottis Mercer 1946—Chief of Police Chas. Dullea—National Voiture officers

Ray Lasater, Parade Chairman—Walter Lee, Vice-Chairman

1st DIVISION

Div. Marshal, Henry Perry—Aide, Dan James

1. Pennsylvania
2. Ohio
3. New York
4. Indiana
5. Massachusetts
6. Illinois

2nd DIVISION

Embarcadero, south of Market Street
Division Marshal, Chas. Whitney—Aide, John Dubinski

7. Michigan
8. Iowa
9. Wisconsin
10. Minnesota
11. Washington
12. Missouri

3rd DIVISION

Stewart Street, south of Market
Division Marshal, Harry Burgund—Aide, J. J. Madden

13. Texas
14. West Virginia
15. North Carolina
16. Florida
17. Oregon
18. Mississippi
19. New Jersey
20. Connecticut
21. Tennessee

4th DIVISION

Drumm Street, north of Market
Division Marshal, Tom Richel—Aide, Lou Witte

22. Kentucky
23. Maine
24. Nebraska
25. Oklahoma
26. Louisiana
27. Virginia
28. Colorado
29. North Dakota
30. Arizona

5th DIVISION

Spear Street, south of Market
Division Marshal, Lawrence Suprenant—Aide, Norman Duyore

31. South Dakota
32. Arkansas
33. Georgia
34. Kansas
35. South Carolina
36. Maryland
37. New Hampshire
38. Dist. of Columbia
39. Rhode Island
40. Nevada

6th DIVISION

Assemble, Davis, north of Market
Division Marshal, Ernest Nixon—Aide, Snooks Stafford

41. Idaho
42. Utah
43. Delaware
44. Vermont
45. Montana
46. Wyoming
47. Alaska
48. Hawaii
49. Alabama
50. France
51. New Mexico
52. Panama
53. Mexico

7th DIVISION

Front Street, north of Market
Division Marshal, Grand Chef Bob Cooke—Aides, Monte Lukov, Jack Zurick

54. California

MRS. CRAWFORD J. MORTENSEN
Le Chapeau Nationale

MRS. GEORGE G. SPEIR
Secretaire-Cassiere Nationale

OFFICIAL PROGRAM

25TH ANNUAL MARCHE
LA BOUTIQUE DES HUIT CHAPEAUX
ET QUARANTE FEMMES
SAN FRANCISCO

REGISTRATION — WAR MEMORIAL VETERANS BUILDING — LOBBY

Sunday, September 29, 1946—12 P.M. to 9 P.M.
Monday, September 30, 1946—10 A.M. to 12 Noon
Tuesday, October 1, 1946—4 P.M. to 5:30 P.M.
Fee—Fifty Cents

SUNDAY—SEPTEMBER 29, 1946

2 P.M. LE POUVOIR NATIONAL—Independent Order of Foresters Building. 170 Valencia Street, Main Auditorium, First Floor.

Divisional Caucuses immediately following Pouvoir Meeting.

SUNDAY—SEPTEMBER 29, 1946—Continued

6 P. M. LA MARCHE NATIONALE—Independent Order of Foresters Building.
Call to Order: Le Chapeau Nationale Carol Mortensen

Advancement of Colors: by LaConcierge Blanche Amtsbuechler and Honorary Marshals Helen Linn and Ellen Lehrsch

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

INVOCATION—by National L'Aumonier Kaye Vincent

"Flanders Field"—Hazel Sacco

"America's Answer"—Aubra Breene

Song, "to you Eight and Forty"—Oregon Quartette
ROLL CALL—La Secretaire Nationale·Marguerite Speir

Reading of Call to Marche Nationale

Reading of Minutes of La Marche Nationale 1945
Reading of Minutes of Les Pouvoirs, 1945
Greetings: by General Marche Chairman Helen Gray
Introductions of Marche Committees
Greetings from Le Chapeau Departemental Josephine Cooke
Introduction of Les Chapeaux Nationaux Passe, Les Officers Nationaux, Honorary Marshals, Pages, Aide to Le Chapeau Nationale

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:
Permanent Organization—Gladys Brown
Rules and Orders—Mary Griffin
Credentials—Alice Gordon, Rita Breaux, LaVerne Wareham

MEMORIAL SERVICE: Kaye Vincent, L'Aumonier Nationale
ACCEPTANCE OF PRINTED REPORTS:
Le Chapeau Nationale, Carol Mortensen
Les Demi Chapeaux Nationaux:
Eastern Division, Hazel Sacco
Southern Division, Etta Cappleman
Central Division, Aubra Breene
Northwestern Division, Marguerite Paullin
Western Division, Marvel Reeve
La Secretaire—Caissier Nationale, Marguerite K. Speir
L'Archiviste Nationale, Hazel Alden
L'Aumonier Nationale, Kaye Vincent
La Concierge Nationale, Blanche Amtsbuechler
L'Organisatrice Nationale, Mary Corwin
La Surintendante Nationale, Effie Marshall
L'Avocate Nationale, Mary Ellen Fay
Director of Emblem Division, Marguerite K. Speir
Co-Director of Emblem Division, Rose Erickson

SUNDAY—SEPTEMBER 29, 1946—Continued

NOMINATIONS OF NATIONAL OFFICERS
REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance, Hazel Davis, Chairman
Committee Members, Freda Kehm, Alice Gordon
Constitution and By-Laws, Bessie Cooper, Chairman
Committee members, Holly Mickle, Ruby Eastman

Child Welfare, Corinne Craig, Chairman
Introduction of Area Chairman

Area "A"—Elsie Wurtz
Area "B"—Mary McClung
Area "C"—Verlie Honig
Area "D"—Esther Jesperson
Area "E"—Peg Downs

National Hospital, Ethyl Thorp
Sub-Chairman, Ilene Cox

Partnership, Rilla Rolfe, Chairman

Introduction of Area Chairman

Area "A"—Maud Clark
Area "B"—Ellen Louise Warren
Area "C"—Alma Glossinger
Area "D"—Bonnie Quinn
Area "E"—Margaret Tyrell

Hat Box and Publicity, Helen Forbes, Chairman

Hat Box Subscription, Margaret Adem, Chairman

Introduction of Area Chairman

Area "A"—Rose Stoddart
Area "B"—Hilda Paupe
Area "C"—Maud Williams
Area "D"—Helen Busser
Area "E"—Amelia Felix

Salon Activities, Rose Bassett, Chairman
Committee Members—Eva Sharman, Evelyn O'Brien

Trophies and Awards, Rae Zaontz, Chairman
Committee Members—Anna Dietz, Clara White

Ritual and Regalia, Doris Pratt, Chairman
Committee Members—Dorothy Olsen, Alma Droege

TUESDAY—OCTOBER 1, 1946

6 P. M. WHITCOMB HOTEL—CRYSTAL BALLROOM—First Floor—Lobby

Dinner and Program
Music by the Oregon Quartette
Greetings from
National President, American Legion Auxiliary, Mrs. Walter Craven
National Commander, American Legion, John Stelle
Le Chef De Chemin de Fer, 40 et 8, Ottis Mercer
General Convention Chairman of the American Legion Auxiliary, Mrs. Ruth Mathebat
General Marche Nationale Chairman of Eight et Forty, Mrs. Helen Gray

INTRODUCTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

National Child Welfare Chairman of the American Legion Auxiliary, Mrs. Euga Campbell
National Child Welfare Chairman of the American Legion, Mr. David Addy
National Director of Child Welfare Division of the American Legion, Miss Emma Puschner and her staff
National Child Welfare Chairman of Eight and Forty, Mrs. Corinne Craig
Department President of California, Mrs. Edna Heartt

ADDRESS by Miss Irna Phillips

RECOGNITION of Director of Child Welfare Division Les Chapeaux Nationaux Passe, Dorothy Harper, Chairman

LA MARCHE SESSION RECONVENES
New Business
Election of Officers
Ratification of Election of Les Demis Chapeaux Nationaux

Installation of Newly Elected Officers
Announcements
Retirement of Colors
Adjournment

WEDNESDAY—OCTOBER 2, 1946

2 P. M. **Independent Order of Foresters Building**

170 Valencia Street. Golden Gate Hall—Second Floor.
Nationale Pouvoir Meeting
Call to Order by Newly Elected Le Chapeau Nationale
Unfinished Business
New Business
Adjournment

LA BOUTIQUEDES DES HUIT CHAPEAUX ET QUARANTE FEMMES NATIONALE MARCHE CONVENTION COMMITTEE

HELEN GRAY, General Chairman

Halls and Seating	Grace Wharton
Signs	Allena Noyes
Information	Hazel Dasteel
Registration	Valeska Nelson
Dinner	Francis Tomlin
Dinner Reservations	Kay Brandhofer
Favors	Esther Macaulley
Decorations	Josephine Graham
Entertainment	Josephine Lewis
Hospitality	Mae Hearst
Publicity	Helen Sharkey
Pianist	Beatrice Nelson
Distinguished Guests	Rose Baker
Soloist	Josephine Cooke
Reception	Hazel Mibach
Credentials	Hazel Bank, Aide; Ann Beard, Aide
Radio	Mae Hearst
La Secretaire	Mary Mahoney
First Aid	Rosalie Fields
La Surintentante, Nationale	Mrs. Effie Marshall

Mrs. Hazel Dotson, Aide to Kay Vincent, L'Aumonier Nationale

San Francisco War Memorial

PAST NATIONAL COMMANDERS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

*BENNETT C. CLARK	1919
*HENRY D. LINDSLEY, *Deceased*	1919
*MILTON J. FOREMAN, *Deceased*	1919
FRANKLIN D'OLIER	1919-20
FREDERICK W. GALBRAITH, *Deceased*	1920 to June 9, 1921
JOHN EMERY	1921
HANFORD MacNIDER	1921-22
ALVIN M. OWSLEY	1922-23
JOHN R. QUINN	1923-24
JAMES A. DRAIN, *Deceased*	1924-25
JOHN R. McQUIGG, *Deceased*	1925-26
HOWARD P. SAVAGE, *Deceased*	1926-27
EDWARD E. SPAFFORD, *Deceased*	1927-28
PAUL V. McNUTT	1928-29
O. G. BODENHAMER, *Deceased*	1929-30
RALPH T. O'NEIL, *Deceased*	1930-31
HENRY G. STEVENS, JR.	1931-32
LOUIS A. JOHNSON	1932-33
EDWARD A. HAYES	1933-34
FRANK N. BELGRANO, JR.	1934-35
RAY MURPHY	1935-36
HARRY W. COLMERY	1936-37
DANIEL J. DOHERTY	1937-38
STEPHEN F. CHADWICK	1938-39
RAYMOND J. KELLY	1939-40
MILO J. WARNER	1940-41
LYNN U. STAMBAUGH	1941-42
ROANE WARING	1942-43
WARREN H. ATHERTON	1943-44
EDWARD N. SCHEIBERLING	1944-45
JOHN STELLE	1945-46

* Voted title of Past National Commander by National Convention.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS OF THE 1946 AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL CONVENTION

CAPTAIN LAURENCE A. ABERCROMBIE
United States Navy

CHARLES R. ANDERSON
Chief Veterans Section,
United States Civil Service Commission

CAPTAIN LYLE O. ARMEL,
Civil Relations Division, U. S. Navy

GENERAL HENRY H. ARNOLD,
Former Commanding General,
Army Air Forces

REAR ADMIRAL DONALD B. BEARY, USN,
Commandant, Twelfth Naval District

REAR ADMIRAL RUSSELL S. BERKEY,
Director, Civil Relations Division,
Navy Department

GUY H. BIRDSAL,
Assistant Administrator for Legislation,
Veterans Administration

REAR ADMIRAL JOEL T. BOONE (MC) USN,
Inspector Medical Dept. Activities, Pacific

GENERAL OMAR N. BRADLEY,
Administrator of Veterans' Affairs

HAROLD W. BREINING
Assistant Administrator,
Veterans Administration

MAJOR GENERAL EDWARD S. BRES,
Chief of Staff, Executive for
Reserve and R.O.T.C. Affairs

HERMAN B. BYER,
Assistant Chief Employment and
Occupational Branch
Bureau of Labor Statistics

EDDIE CANTOR,

HONORABLE R. GREGG CHERRY,
Governor of North Carolina

O. W. CLARK,
Assistant Administrator for Claims,
Veterans' Administration

HONORABLE TOM C. CLARK,
The Attorney General
of the United States

MRS. WALTER G. CRAVEN,
National President,
The American Legion Auxiliary

BRIGADIER GEN. JAMES B. CRAWFORD
Secretary of War's Discharge Review Board

VICE ADMIRAL W. S. DELANY, USN,
Commander, Battleships, Cruisers,
Pacific Fleet

COLONEL ROBERT E. L. EATON,
Chief Office Civilian Liaison,
Army Air Forces Headquarters

MAJOR GENERAL MANTON S. EDDY,
Deputy Commanding General,
Second Army

ADMIRAL RICHARD S. EDWARDS,
Commandant, Western Sea Frontier,
U. S. Navy

REAR ADMIRAL P. K. FISCHLER, USN,
Deputy Commander Nineteenth Fleet

REAR ADMIRAL G. H. FORT, USN,
Commandant, 13th Naval District

COMMODORE J. W. FOWLER, USN,
Commander, U. S. Naval Shipyard

ROBERT C. GOODWIN, DIRECTOR,
United States Employment Service,
Department of Labor

HONORABLE DWIGHT H. GREEN,
Governor of Illinois

WILLIAM GREEN, PRESIDENT,
American Federation of Labor

BRIGADIER GENERAL WILLIAM E. HALL,
Special Adviser for Air for
General Eisenhower

FLEET ADMIRAL WILLIAM F. HALSEY
United States Navy

DR. PAUL R. HAWLEY,
Chief Medical Director,
Veterans Administration

BRIGADIER GENERAL GEO. A. HORKAN,
Office of the Quartermaster General

GEORGE W. ILIFF,
National Commander's Scholarship Winner

W. E. JACKSON, PRESIDENT,
United States Chamber of Commerce

SEARCY L. JOHNSON,
Assistant Attorney General,
Department of Justice

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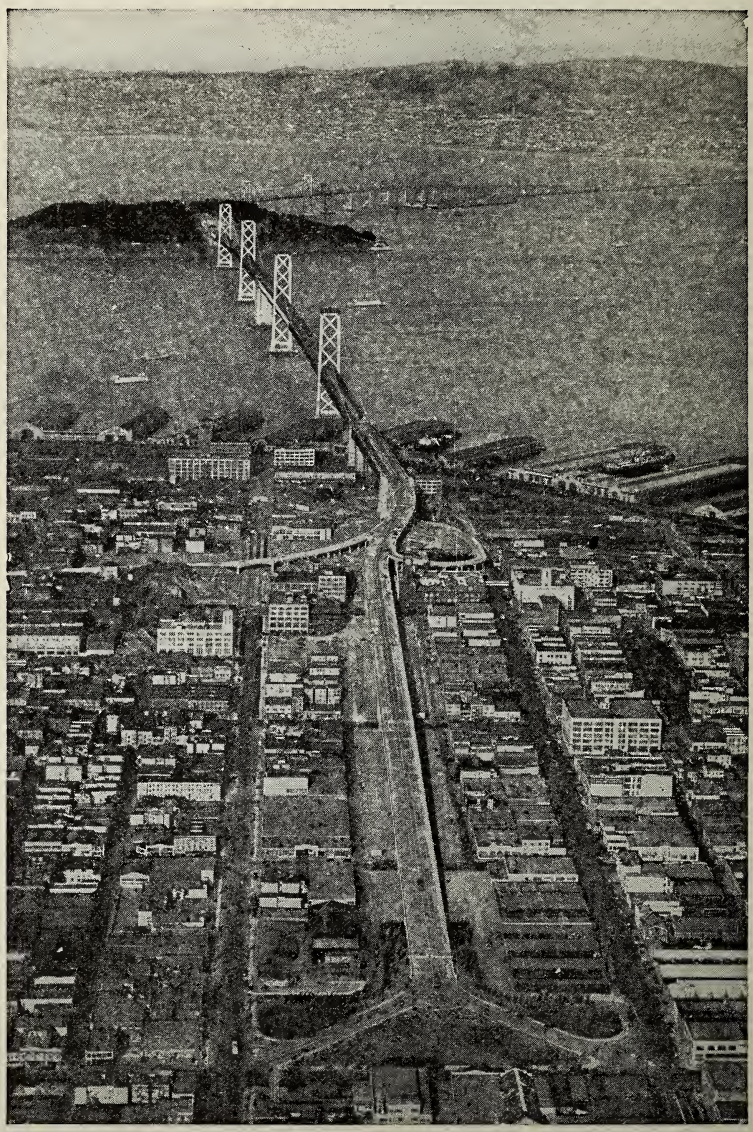

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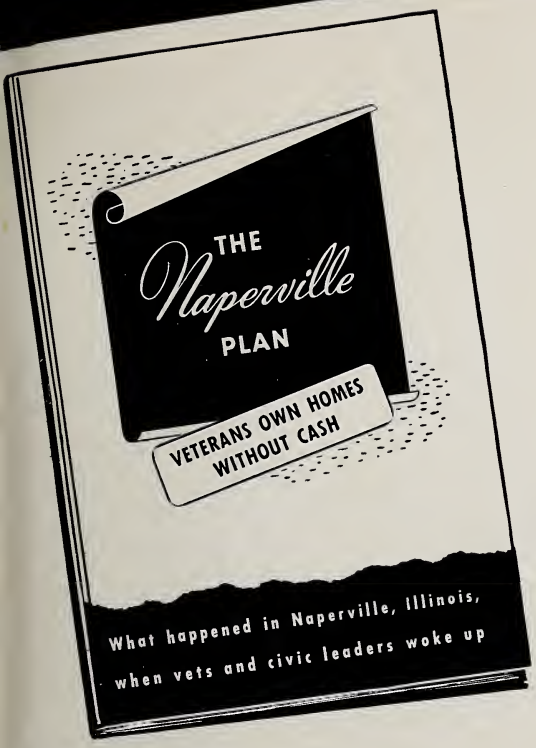

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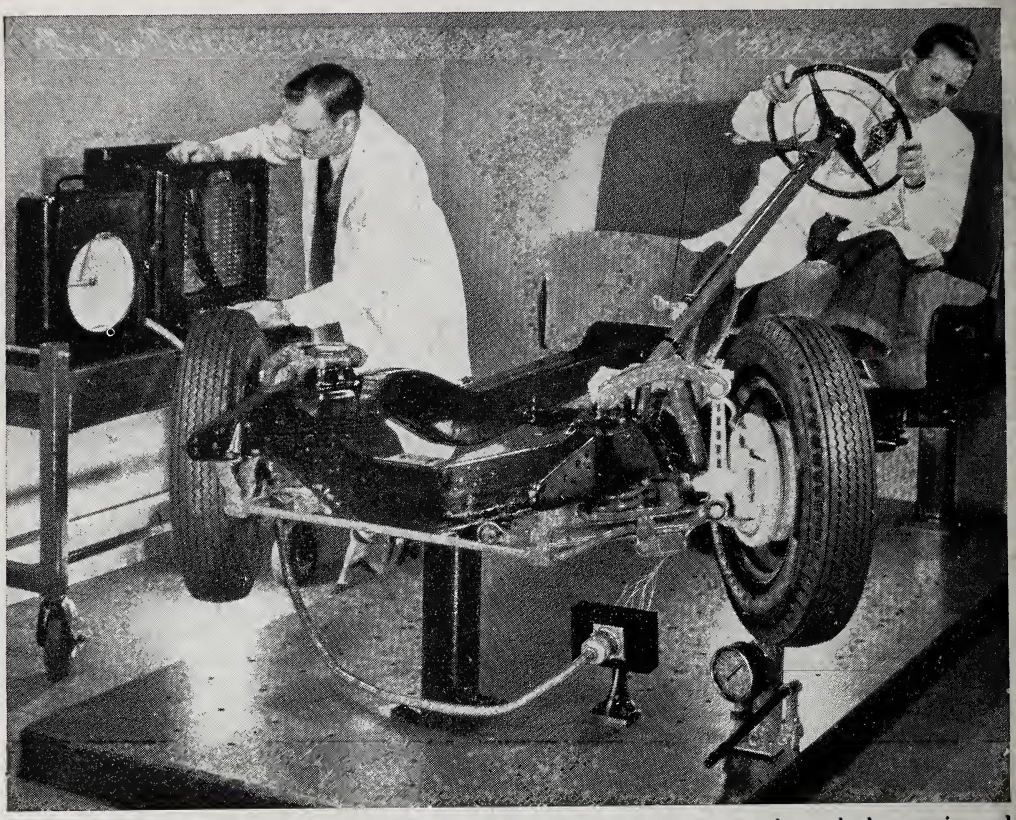

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